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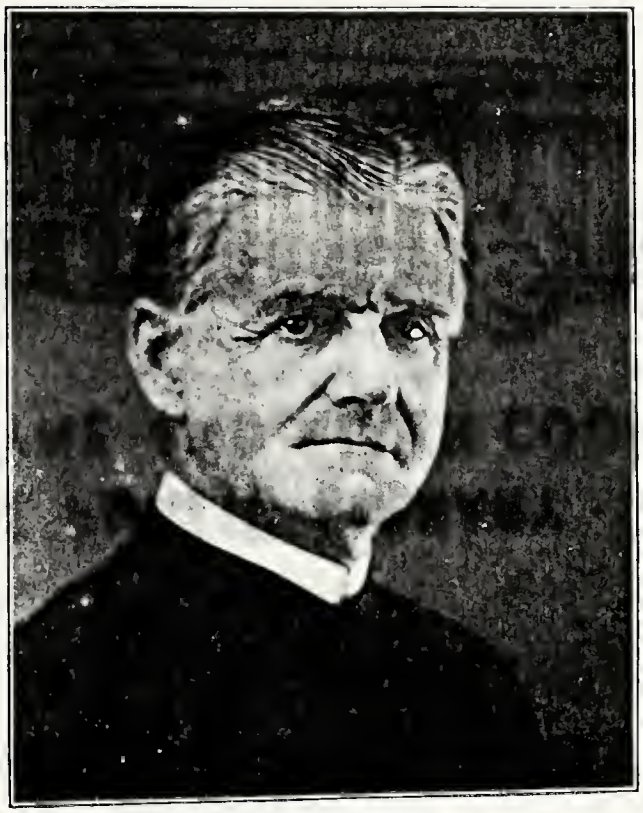

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DEDICATION

I regard myself as extremely fortunate, in view of the service I have been able to render to our dear people who bear the name of Brillhart. In this book a climax has been reached which even in my dreams I had not anticipated. It gives me great satisfaction to present this history of our people, and it is the hope of my declining years that it may be profitable to all of us to know something of the hardships and trials which our forefathers endured that they might worship God according to the dictates of their consciences. It is with the hope and prayer that we may follow their noble examples that this volume is affectionately dedicated

To the Brillhart Kinsfolk of America.

PREFACE

There has been a growing desire among the Brillhart Kinsfolk for many years past to know more about their own ancestors and where they came from, with some explanation of their trials and difficulties of life, as well as the spiritual joys and bliss that followed on their trail. Their trying experiences in the latter half of the fifteenth and the early years of the sixteenth century have given us of the present generation a rich spiritual heritage.

Our forefathers hoped for a time when they could enjoy the freedom of Christian life. For years they pondered over the thought of freedom in a land that lay far beyond the sea, and they hoped some day to land on the free soil of America. How this desire was finally fulfilled is related, at least in part, in this volume.

A number of interesting incidents led up to the work of gathering material for this history. We cannot give all of them, but we shall relate a few.

In the summer and winter of 1916 visits were frequently made with our cousins of Indiana County, Pa. Together with them we represented the families of three brothers, the only people we knew by the name of Brillhart at that time. We talked of having a homecoming for all of our kin to enjoy a day of friendly greetings.

Mrs. Margaret Brillhart, wife of W. W. Brillhart, of Indiana, Pa., and J. Frank Brillhart and J. A. Brillhart of Scottdale, Pa., prepared and sent out announcements and made all necessary arrangements to hold a reunion and entertain our cousins for a day at the old Gilgal Home Church, 18 miles north of the city of Indiana, Pa. At this time we know nothing of our many other kinsfolk scattered all over this land of ours. About one hundred and fifty gathered at this time, and it was a meeting that can never be forgotten.

For many years I had tried from many angles to trace our dear people to the beginning of the lineage, yet everything seemed dark.

Finally I discovered that I belonged to what was known as the lost branch, through finding some letters and documents among the estate of one of our old fathers. Thus a clue was found and a tracer put on the trail. Letter after letter was written but no reply.

Later we found the trail through seeing a railroad flag station, with the name of Brillhart. We were convinced we had found the clue. Alighting from the train one evening at nearly sunset we began to make inquiries for some people by our name, but to our disappointment no one knew of such people. I then asked for some old resident father who had lived in this vicinity for some years. I was directed to a humble cottage at which I inquired for lodging for the night. I was refused this on account of lack

of room to accommodate more than their family. So I took the opportunity to make known my errand.

The old gentleman brushing back his gray locks and opening his eyes, seemingly to stir up his historical recollection, then gave me a brief history and told me where I could locate a few of that name.

Some weeks later, after returning to our home, we addressed a letter of inquiry to the postmaster of the place to which my old friend had directed me. It was through this means that we received the address of Jacob S. Brillhart of Porters Sideling, Pa., who in turn gave us the address of D. S. Brillhart, Dover, Pa., our present secretary. Thus, finally the door was thrown open and some correspondence was begun.

Thus we began to spread our wings and by the time of the reunion of 1918 we had located Brillhart kin all over the United States of America.

In compiling this history much travel and correspondence was necessary. The records are as nearly accurate as they could be made with the data that was furnished us. We wish to thank all who responded to our requests for information. After ten years of labor the work of compilation is finished. The author sincerely hopes that his efforts to present an authentic Brillhart history will be appreciated by our people.

J. A. Brillhart.

A GENERAL HISTORICAL SKETCH

It is one of the most difficult problems for the average American to understand fully the extent of the social, political, and religious conditions in which we find Europe, and specially Germany, during the Middle Ages and the period of the Reformation according to historical facts and the descriptions given by men who had devoted a lifetime to the study of the history of the European nations. Therefore it would be entirely wrong for us in this case to start immediately with the political events commencing at about the year 1378 as the start of the "Schisma." It would be like wanting to build a large house with no foundation. Though the starting point for the history of the family Brillhart is supposed to be the year 1455, we deem it wise to give a general review of the history of the Middle Ages in very concentrated form, as the political events and the existing church affairs at the time when our history begins, are only the result of the events and the conditions of the preceding centuries and so we will start at about the time when Charlemagne, emperor of Germany, or, as he preferred to be titled, "Emperor of the Holy Roman Empire of German nations," took control of the affairs in Germany.

The history of the Middle Ages is generally disliked by those who study it and sometimes even by those who teach it. It seems to them like a great Gothic cathedral, where the eye loses itself in the infinite and delicate details of an art which seems to be without either unity or system, or like an immense and seemingly confused book which the reader spells out laboriously but never understands. If, however we are content to confine this history to the significant facts which alone are worth remembering and to pass over the insignificant men and events, we shall find this period to be as simple as it is generally considered confusing.

The real history of the Middle Ages does not extend beyond the ancient Roman Empire and the provinces added to it by Charlemagne when he brought the whole of Germany under one supreme rulership and one common civilization. Outside of these limits all was still barbarism of which little or nothing is known except a few facts of Genghis Khan (an emperor or leader of an Asiatic barbarous tribe—the Chunguses) and of Timour, another Asiatic leader who invaded with their hordes the far eastern parts of Europe.

The Middle Ages were built on the ancient foundation of pagan (equal with infidelity) and Christian Rome. Therefore our first task is to study the Roman Empire and perceive the mortal wounds it had suffered through its cruelty, absence of morals and virtue, through its greed for more and more power, and its almost limitless desire for luxury and pomp.

This Empire with so many laws but no institutions, with so many subjects but no citizens, and with an administration that was so elaborate that it became a crushing burden after all, contained a remnant of religious life and seed which later developed, by the grace of God, into the Christian Church of the present day.

The next king and emperor of importance for our purpose was Charles IV of Bohemia, a ruler whose shameless greed, whose partiality toward the stronger parties and whose unpardonable unfairness against his Jewish subjects made his name almost unworthy to be admitted or considered in history. But since history has to occupy itself with the evil deeds and actions of prominent persons as well as with the noble, highminded, and beneficial conduct and deeds, we dare not deny even to a Charles IV, a certain devotion of time, anyway so far as his rulership is responsible for certain changes, and political occurrences which have to be mentioned for our present purpose. To begin with, Charles IV, was chosen by the pope in opposition to Emperor Louis.

Charles was an honor-seeking man and that was the reason that he humbled himself to an almost ridiculous degree just to gain the honor of being crowned as emperor in Rome. His ancestors and forefathers would have perished from shame had they known and witnessed the base concessions and promises of Charles IV to the pope. He even denounced rights and provisions wrung from the pope by the preceding emperors through bloody battles and terrible sacrifices of life and possessions just for the sake of one glorious day in the city of Rome as Emperor.

1355. He was crowned in Rome but had to leave the city on the same day, mindful to the oath he swore to the pope. It was under his reign that those horrible persecutions and massacres of the Jews were instigated, it was under his reign also that the black death, that terrible pestilence, was raging all through Germany destroying almost one-third of the population in some parts of the country, and it was during his rulership that the great Schism of the church broke out. It is impossible for us to simply pass over those outrageous, pernicious deeds and crimes committed against the Jews. Those people who had come to Germany and had enjoyed the protection of the German rulers had become very prosperous subjects. They were mostly merchants. Some of them were so wealthy that even rulers and princes came to them to borrow money for different purposes. True enough the Jews demanded in those times never less than 21⅔ per cent and there were many cases in which as high as 96⅔ per cent interest was demanded. Such a percentage may seem unnatural and preposterous to our modern financial standards but we have to consider that in 40 cases out of 100 the borrowing party never had the intention of paying anything back and the Jewish merchant had a very poor chance of obtaining even a part of his money back as the courts hardly ever let justice have its course and never allowed a Jew to be in advantage over a Christian, and not at all if he happened to be a nobleman. Since the Crusades a bitter feeling had existed against the Jews, as they were considered enemies of Christ and this feeling developed into a general hate. Countless stories were invented of sacrilege and murder committed by the Jews. Even some of the old chronicles tell frequently of Christian children being kidnapped or murdered by Jews. In those times of superstition and lack of higher education and intelligence such stories, in connection with the above mentioned financial transactions, were bound to cause serious troubles and when the black death was raging all through Germany, nothing could stop any more the fury of the people against those helpless Jews. They were even accused of being the direct cause of that pestilence, having polluted the wells. But to-day we know the real cause of that terrible sickness —we know that the unsanitary conditions of the towns and the continuous wars with their horrors were the cause of it. We only have to remember that each and every town was surrounded by a wall sometimes as high as 20 or 30 feet, with numerous little watch towers crowning the top. Around those walls, outside, had been dug deep ditches and channels which were filled with water, which was in most cases stagnant and filthy. All this was done to prevent a sudden attack of some enemy upon the unsuspecting citizens. There were a few large and high towers strongly built into the walls with iron gates and fall-bridges so as to allow anybody to enter or to leave town as long as the gates were open and the fall-bridges down. Those high walls and the houses with high gables, the narrow streets, naturally caused a lack of proper ventilation. The streets were dirty and in most cases refuse and filth covered the streets and yards almost knee-deep. We only need to remember the episode out of the life of Emperor Frederick IV, when he rode into a smaller town, Rentlingen. As his arrival had been unannounced the king found the streets in their common general condition and unsuspecting as he was, rode through what appeared to be the street and all but disappeared in the bottomless filth,—horse and rider, harness and saddle.

What would anyone of our modern presidents think of such a reception in a

town, being hitched to a string of horses and pulled thus through a street? In the city of Uln a law was passed to have the swine locked up during the greater part of the day, except during the mealtimes. As we go through our modern towns to-day do we still think that those times were the "real good old times?" Was it any wonder that such a sickness as the black death was directly caused by those extremely unsanitary conditions? The Jews had to suffer for it though. The Church encouraged the murders and massacres of great numbers of Jews. They were pulled out of their houses and thrown into great, burning woodpiles. Sometimes a great number of such unfortunates were locked up in some old building so that those imprisoned perished in the flames. Many of the Jews were mutilated and tortured to death, their tongues cut out, arms, hands, feet, ears or nose cut off, and then burned to death. And the emperor? He never even attempted to restrict those wholesale murders of innocent people, because he himself took possession of their properties.

It was during these times, that there appeared the Flagellantes or flying penitents spreading the infection from place to place, from town to town. They marched in long processions of thousands, with flags flying, candles burning, crosses borne on before them and lashing their bodies, nude to the waist, with scourges bound and woven with sharp iron spikes, with the blood streaming off their bodies until they fell exhausted on the wayside. Distinctive of the sect was their hatred of the clergy. They openly attacked the Pope and the Church and therefore the Pope hurled the ban upon them. Gradually they disappeared again and in their stead the persecutions of the Jews took place again. It shocks the sensibilities to see the attitude taken by the Emperor Charles and the city authorities in the matter of all this persecution and violence. There was no attempt made to check the heathenish excesses.

But the reaction came. As the Jews had been taxed the very highest, these taxes were now badly missed in the treasury of the emperor and also no one could be found to replace the Jews in the matter of making loans, so Charles IV issued a decree that the Jews could come back again, and the murders and massacres were to be stopped. Not many years after that Charles died.

1378—1400. His oldest son Wenzel or Wenceslaus received the German crown. We have the proofs that he was hardly ever sober, not even early in the mornings. He stayed in his castles in Bohemia and was far more interested in the different samples of beer, wine and common liquor, than the affairs of the Empire. The German people and the princes got disgusted and tired of him and had him deposed.

1400—1410. Rupprecht or Ruppert of the Palatinate was elected as Wenzel's successor. He was absolutely unfit for such a task as ruling the Empire during those times. He only reigned for ten years.

After Ruppert's death Sigismund, the second son of Emperor Charles IV, and brother of Wenceslaus received the crown. Another party put up Price Fodocus of Moravia as the real emperor. So we see in this very same year 1410, the whole western world in dispute and discontent. Old Emperor Wenzel still lived and still claimed to be the rightful emperor. In this year 1410 three emperors, Wenceslaus, Sigismund, and Fodocus of Moravia, claimed the political leadership of the western world, while three popes, Benedict (in Avignon, France), Gregory XII, (in Rome) and John XXIII (in Pisa, upper Italy) pulled and tore on the hat and coat of St. Peter.

Gregory in Rome was not any more worthy to be a Pope than Benedict and John. John's (XXIII) former life was that of an adventurer, a soldier, a hireling for an evil deed that was well enough paid for. Sigismund considered it his first and most important task to settle the church quarrels at the council of Constance. This council was the greatest meeting that ever had occurred in over 1000 years. It was an international affair since representatives of every nation and state of Europe were sent there to attend the proceedings. Constance was at that time a little town of

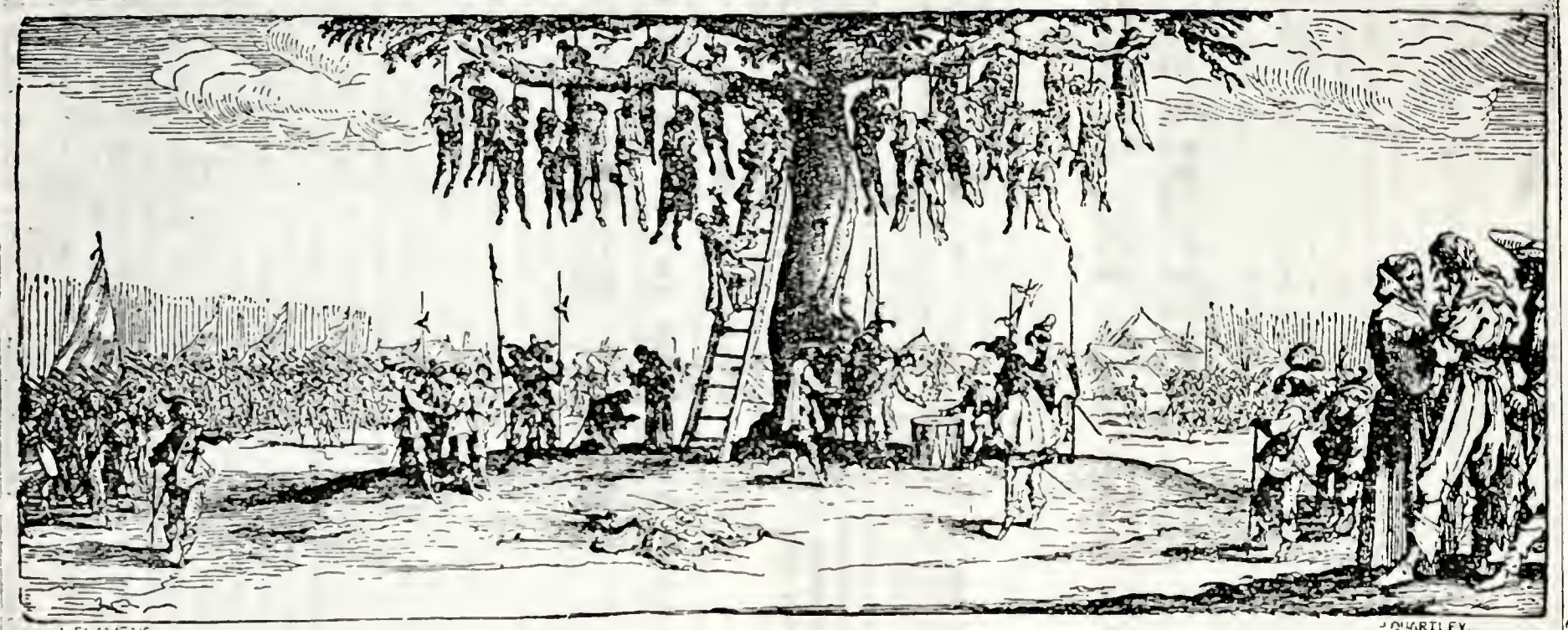
about 7000 inhabitants and after the council had opened its sessions there were over seventy thousand people thronged together. It really was a giddy, adventurous throng, and it is worthy to mention that during the sessions of the council occurred over 500 deaths from accidental drowning in the lake by pleasure seekers. The result of the council was that Pope John XXIII, Pope Benedict, and Pope Gregory were deposed and a new Pope elected under the name of Martin IX.

We all know of the fate of Johannes Huss, that great Reformer at the University of Prague, who had been called to this council in order to be examined concerning his doctrine and teachings. We all know how treacherous Emperor Sigismund acted toward Huss who had come to Constance only through the assurances and promises of Sigismund of a safe conduct. We all know how the emperor broke his word and had **Huss executed.**

We are now entering an era in the history of which the most prominent and most important events ought to be known by every person of average education and knowledge, especially by every true member of a Protestant church regardless to the denomination or name that branch of the Protestant church is bearing. This will release us from the hard task of going into details of the Reformation and the following Thirty Years' War, which historical facts ought to be well known to every person. We shall dwell only on some facts that are closely connected with the Reformation and yet, important as they were, are less known and which facts we have to relate because of their importance for our special purpose.

The burning of Huss caused, instead of peace, a bloody Rebellion all through Bohemia. The followers of Huss were so infuriated when they learned of his death that they gathered in large throngs before the City Hall and a body of students stormed the building, seized the counsellors and threw them through the windows, to the infuriated crowd below who tore them limb from limb. The emperor sent whole armies against the Hussites but to no avail. The last decisive battle those Hussites fought was at Tauss, where the emperor's large army of over 80,000 men was practically annihilated. The emperor, as well as the Church, saw now the gravest danger threatening them and they hurriedly called another council meeting at Basel where they agreed practically to all the demands of the Hussites. Thus that war was ended. As Emperor Sigismund has played such an important role in history it is worth while for us to mention a few points concerning his private affairs and his own personality. Surprising, as well as characteristic of him, is that he was habitually without funds. He borrowed money from anybody, anywhere and never paid it back. He came to Constance to the council with a great pomp and when he wanted to leave a number of citizens of Constance tried to prevent his departure as they wanted him to pay his debts. He gave them his gold and silver plate in pledge and his fine linen and hangings which he never was able to redeem. At the later council in Basel on which occasion the then reigning Pope Eugenius crowned him as emperor, the Pope himself had to pay for the expenses of the coronation banquet and thus Sigismund was relieved of pawning more of his belongings. On his arrival in Basel, he had to send to the magistrate for a pair of shoes pretending that his baggage had been detained and that he would pay him for the trouble. In his later years we find him many times walking through the streets with patched up shoes, and with vents in his clothes that showed the skin. And we have the proofs that he had spent whole nights in obscure places and of scandals shocking even to those loose and easy going times.

1440—1493. It was under the reign of Frederick III also, that numerous persecutions were carried on in Germany affecting a certain class of people who had followed the reformatory movements in Switzerland and the eastern part of France, Calvinists and Waldenses. So we find that a great number of those Waldenses were executed in the years 1455 and 1465, in a small town in the southern part of Germany in



EXECUTION OF PROTESTANTS IN THE NETHERLANDS.

Eichstädt. Eichstädt is located in a mountain range called the "Frankish Jura" on the "Altmühl" a branch river of the Danube. Eichstädt was, and is yet to-day, the seat of a Bishop and it was there that we have the fact that a certain Johannes Brill was burned to death with many other persons, supposedly belonging to the sect of the Waldenses. But before we enter now into the special history of the Brillhart Family, let us describe and explain the conditions in which social life was then, let us show how people lived, let us show the standing of the church and of the clergy toward the people so as to understand how such actions were possible.

We have passed now the age of Knighthood and Chivalry and have arrived at the era of the Burgher and of the time when civic life is overshadowing the "minnedienst" (minne—love; dienst—service). The time is over when the Troubadour (singer) is traveling on horseback attired with beautiful gay garments, from castle to castle, from burg to burg, stopping here and there wherever he was welcomed and singing the brave and heroic deeds of some knight to gain the favor and the love of his lady, his queen.

The Crusades had added to the romance of the Knighthood and we hear of wonderful deeds of bravery and heroism, of pure love and romantic adventures, of the traveling knight on his search for his queen.

Numerous cities and towns had gradually appeared all over the country, the residents of which called themselves "Burger" (Burgher), and who divided themselves into different classes, or "guilds." Each guild followed a certain trade and so we have the guild of the carpenters, of the tanners, of the butchers and so on. These guilds were then what we might call to-day a league of tradesmen, and they embraced all the trades' artisans, with a strict division into masters, apprentices, and servants. The guilds enjoyed also a great political power as they were represented by their masters in city councils and any political meetings.

Brotherly love and fidelity were required by the statutes of the guilds. Mutual support was assured and the more unfortunate were assisted from the general treasury.

In The Lubeck, a harbor, and large city on the northern coast of Germany, were seventy different guilds, in Cologne eighty, and in Hamburg more than a hundred. Nuremberg was famous through the guilds of the weavers, the guilds of the dyemakers and, most of all, through the guilds of the goldsmiths and watchmakers. In Augsburg the guild of the weavers alone could boast of no less than 743 members. The guilds provided all raw material, determined the rate of wages, and the amount of production and tested the finished work. Any master of any guild was supposed to stand toward his apprentice in the place of a parent. He was supposed to lodge, feed, and care for him in every way. The wife of a master, says a decree of 1459, must be of honest and lawful birth and of German origin. When war broke out the members of the guilds marched out together and formed a separate division in the army.

These guilds had become so strong and powerful at the time when our history begins, that they could dare to wage war even against the knights and princes. Naturally these knights found it pretty hard to satisfy themselves with this change of conditions. They were used to sitting behind the thick and strong walls of their castles, on top of some high hill, and to swoop down at the first chance, all clad in their steel armors, upon the unsuspecting burghers of some neighborhood town or upon an unsuspecting merchant traveling with a train of wagons all loaded with valuable goods, through the valley. They captured the burghers or the merchants, imprisoned them in the dungeons of their castles and demanded a high ransom for liberation. There were in some cases bloody and long wars fought between the burghers and merchants of some town and the knights and noblemen in the surrounding country.

Since the knight as well as the "Raubritter" could not impose any more taxes

upon the towns, he took to robbing and plundering the peasant and stealing his cattle.

It is almost unbelievable how the poor peasants had to suffer under the yoke of these knights. We just want to mention one certain Count of Lutphen whose domains were on the Swiss border near the Lake of Constance. This Count required his peasants to abandon their fields in harvest time, in order to perform such trivial service as to catch fleas in the castle beds, to gather snail-shells on which the Countess might wind her yarn and to hush the croaking of the frogs in the pond below the castle. Was it any wonder that the peasants a few years later broke out into open rebellion against their tormentors and oppressors all over Germany, and that this movement took on such serious and grave dimensions? Even Luther himself preached against the rebellious peasants.

The peasants had held various parliaments and councils and had drawn up a regular formulation of their demands in the so-called "Twelve Articles," which were adopted with few changes, in all parts of Germany.

The main points in their articles were: Freedom of choice and election of a spiritual pastor who shall preach the pure faith, the abolition of serfdom, the free enjoyment in common of water, woods, and pasture, a truce to the cruel death tax, that took from widows and children the best portion of their inheritance. We all know that the whole movement of the peasants was suppressed in short time, and that the peasants' demands were not granted, anyway not at that time. In the course of the Reformation the conditions of the peasants improved considerably, especially in those parts of Germany where the Reformation had been a success. We only have to mention yet that the main hatred and fury of the peasants was directed against a Catholic clergy and the monasteries, since they were taxed by them almost beyond endurance, not to speak of the knights at all. Important for our following history is the fact that at the little town Waldshut next to the Swiss border on the southern slopes of the Black Forest a League of peasants was formed under the name "Christian Brotherhood in the Black Forest."

Before we enter into the history of the Brillhart Family, we have to review yet the conditions of the church, of the life and character of the lower and higher clergy, and of the customs and ways of living of the people at this time.

The evils in church and state alike were crying to heaven for redress. The popes of the last half of the fifteenth century, 1450—1500, were making for themselves a record for shamelessness that has never been surpassed. Their names have become a byword for hideous depths of vice and crime. Pope Paul II, successor of Pius II, was so shamelessly vain that he would have preferred to call himself "Formosus" (formosus, latin, magnificent) and so fond of jewels that he would appropriate or sneak them if he could not obtain them in any other way. Sixtus IV, was known for his supreme worldliness. Innocent VIII, filled the Vatican with his sons and daughters. Innocent's death involves the death of three young boys whose blood the doctors were transfusing into his own veins. There is a long list of the basest crimes against a certain pope, Alexander Borgia. The last scene in his murderous career was a supper at the house of a rich cardinal where he and his son Caesar prepared for their host. Julius II, chose his name in memory of Julius Caesar, that Roman general and went to field with the soldiers in person. Pope Leo X, openly expressed an intention of enjoying the Papacy while he held it, and is quoted as saying that the "Fable of Christ" had been very lucrative. The triumphal arch erected in honor of his imagination was adorned with heathen gods and the inscription upon it ran that the reign of Minerva was about to follow on that of Venus and of Mars.

HISTORY OF THE BRILLHARTS

This history of the generation of the Brillharts and their kin is gathered from records, transcripts, old documents, letters, reminiscences, and history, not all of which could be definitely confirmed.

In the year of our Lord fourteen hundred and forty-eight was the beginning of the present name by which this historic people are known.

Eichstädt is an old town in Bavaria, in a deep valley of the Altmühl, 67 miles north and north-west of Munich. It had a population of 7,489. The principal edifice of this city is a fine Gothic Cathedral which was founded in A. D. 1259. This was a chief church in which was the throne of a bishop, thus making it one great center for the masses. The valley was known as the Black Valley and was very fertile and the people accumulated some wealth, but because of existing political conditions, and unfair taxations, and a corrupt state of affairs, with many other unsatisfactory conditions, the conscientious people began to refuse to yield to these decrees. And as drastic steps were taken to enforce the Jewish people to submit, many of them were destroyed and the decree went out to arrest any and all such as would not yield to the demands.

For a number of years our ancestors and nonresistant people that were suffering the awful tortures of the Reformation talked over the matter of fleeing to the newly discovered continent of America, a place where they could be free from the hands of tyrannical rulers, and worship God in freedom of conscience in a land of promise.

Their troubles seemed so severe and their oppressions continued so long that their charity and helpfulness in supporting each other prevented them from the hope of ever being able to take such a trip.

As years passed on the reports from America were more favorable, and hope became brighter. Still there were many obstacles to overcome—to get money to pay their voyage, as well as to keep them until they could clear off some ground and raise some corn, then to get permission to leave their country. This meant much to many that were poor.

Another difficulty was in the way, for many of the nonresistant people were forced to return to their own land from America or be tortured and possibly killed, especially in the states of Rhode Island and Massachusetts.

In perusing documents in the Library in Washington, D. C., we find there records of the extreme punishment inflicted on some of our faithful people who first landed in these two states. As they left the ship they were examined relative to their acknowledging the ritual and religious creed of the inhabitants already there. The jury was composed of the resident ministerial staff, and their judgment was always passed in favor of their discipline.

One case is recorded where one of our fathers was whipped severely and then imprisoned and fed on half rations, then later examined again, and so on, thus trying to force him to accept the faith of the colonists. A woman was whipped severely, then tied behind a wagon in her bare feet in cold and snowy weather, and dragged along from one town to another, to force her to give up her faith. She was so severely whipped that her body was lacerated and bleeding, and she fell to the ground and gave up her life for her faith.

JOHANNES BRILL

Johannes Brill (1448) a citizen of Eichstädt, Germany, was a young man with a wife and four small children, and was listed among the Reformers of his day striving for the liberty and freedom of conscience and the Word of God. The persecution was so terrible that when any one was discovered by the magistrate to be a dissenter they were at once called into question and imprisoned and punished frequently, to compel them to yield to the request of Rome.

This man Brill along with a few others was disclosed and arrests were made. They were tried, tested, and severely punished for their faith and freedom of conscience. Some were drowned by frequent dipping in water, still asking them to renounce their faith. Others were tied and burned at the stake. Others were whipped and dismembered until death came and freed them from this cumbrous clay.

Their property was seized as soon as they were sentenced and disposed of, and the money therefrom used to keep up the expenses of the courts and magistrates. Thus hundreds of homes were seized and the poor widows and children left at the mercy of the Roman Church.

Thus Johannes was killed. The terror-stricken and heart-broken widow with her four little children fled northwest with others to a place not known to us, where either her relatives lived or where others of her faith were. Later, after some time elapsed, in lonely care for her children, she met with a man whose name was Hard and through their brief acquaintance they soon became united in marriage and to this union there were children born. They were both of the same belief, and lived a life devoted to each other and to their faith. According to the law of that state governing such marriages Mr. Hard had to assume all cares and responsibilities of the children of Mrs. Brill, now his wife. Either by law or custom govening such marriages the widow and children retained their first name along with the last or second name, and they were now known by the name of Brill Hard.

When the second family came they were also known as Brill Hard Children, using both words and the capitals, B and H. Later as the children became older the names were combined and as the boys entered into business life the name was spelled as one word, Brillhard. Many other circumstances must have entered into the lives of these people such as commonly follow in life but we have no trace of them. The next steps in our history are not always continuously connected, because of a lack of definite records. If the sequence seems disjointed at times the reader must remember that we can give the facts only so far as we have data.

In the year fourteen hundred and seventy-nine one of the youngest sons of Abraham Brillhard was the father of a large family and from one

of his boys the name not now known, in the year of fifteen hundred and eight Isaac Brillhard was born, and at this time there were many people moving into Holland to escape the severity of the persecution at the hands of their tormentors. They were robbed of their holdings, crops, and cattle to pay the imposed costs of punishments. The Brillhards later also fled for refuge from Germany into Holland believing the rulers there to be more generous.

As they traveled with their packs of belongings on their backs, they saw human bones, charred bodies, and bodies in pits that had either been killed and thrown in, or had starved to death.

Their faith in the promises of Christ, our Lord, (John 3:16; John 5: 24, 25) was of the real kind, willing to lay this body down through the most severe trials and punishments to win or gain the promise. Philippians 3:8-11. It is evident from what I can gather that our folks were of the Jewish strain of people that had been brutally persecuted to obtain their money and possessions.

The dark clouds that hung over the lives of our forefathers and their simple method of living and the sacrifices which they made, compared with our fine homes, and Brussels carpets, and automobiles that we now enjoy, should cause us to be thankful that our lot has been cast in the Twentieth Century and on the free soil of our beloved America.

In the year fifteen hundred and thirty-one Isaac Brillhard married a lady by the name of Wycliff. This was still during the time of John Calvin's strenuous discipline, and King Henry was both King and Pope over the Church of England. To this union were born three girls and one boy, David, who was born in the year fifteen hundred and forty-six, and was one of the boys that had committed a part of the Scriptures to memory on account of the effort made to destroy and burn all religious books and the Bible. Their places of worship had to be secluded and many times they met in the mountains and hill forests to worship and to teach their children the Word of God.

In the year of fifteen hundred and seventy-one David Brillhard united in marriage with Rachael —— and to this union children were born. One of David's boys at the age of about 35 years joined a colony and embarked to America. He landed at Jamestown, according to records from Amsterdam.

In the year of fifteen hundred and ninety-six, one of David Brillhard's boys married and became the father of John Brillhard.

In the year of sixteen hundred and twenty-three there was a large family of boys and to one of these was born a son Samuel, in Holland, in the year sixteen hundred and seventy-eight. Later, in seventeen hundred he married and raised a family of four boys and they seemed to be natural mechanics. They had a grist mill and blacksmith shop. They were cabinet makers, gunsmiths, and were useful men in the vicinity, always

ready to lay their hands to any kind of work. These industrious boys each raised families of their own.

John Brillhard

John Brillhard was born 1701. In the year 1721, at the age of twenty-one years, he met with a lady by the name of Marie Rariegh whom he loved, courted, and later married. To this union were born three boys: John, Samuel, and Peter. The name was later changed to Brillhart.

John Brillhart was born in Holland in 1721 and was united in marriage in the year 1741 to Susanna Deordorf and to this union were born six children: David Brillhart who died young; John Brillhart, married to Catherine Huff; Mary Brillhart, married to Michael Koontz; Susan Brillhart, married to Henry Kaylor; Samuel Brillhart, twice married, to Susan Whitsel and Mary Chambers; Daniel Brillhart, married to Catherine Shultz.

Samuel was born in Holland in 1724 and was united in marriage to Miss Esther Smidt in 1743. To them were born six children: Esther Brillhart; Joseph Brillhart; Samuel Brillhart, married to Magdaline Danerin; David Brillhart, twice married, to —— Lowe and —— Frick; Jacob Brillhart; Abraham Brillhart, married to Eva Altru.

Peter Brillhart was born in Holland in 1726, and was united in marrige to Mary —— in 1745. To them were born: Peter Brillhart, Jr., born in 1746; Christian Brillhart, born in 1748; Joseph Brillhart, born in 1750; John Brillhart; Elizabeth Brillhart, married to Samuel Bixler; Nancy Brillhart, married to Joe Graybill; Eva Brillhart, married to Samuel Flickinger; Jacob Brillhart, married to Margaret Myers; Annie Brillhart; Barbara Brillhart, married to Benjamin Yount.

In 1732 there was a liberal offer made to colonists by the agent for Pennsylvania land which lay between rivers along the old Indian trail: 200 acres to the man with a family, a fee of four shillings sterling for each one hundred acres, payable at the end of three years to actual settlers; to any single person between the ages of fifteen and thirty, one hundred acres on the same terms. This guaranteed one per cent per acre and time to make improvements and begin to raise some crops for their living. Thus some of our fathers took advantage of this liberal offer and many fine homes are now seen with land cleared of all timber, which affords this generation many joys and pleasures as a result of the years of hard toil and labor of our ancestors, who used the "hoke plow" among the stumps and roots, and sickles to cut the grain, while we use the sulky plow and reapers.

In the year 1737, April 29th, our fathers made another appeal for the privilege of coming to Pennsylvania which seemed to be granted to them about one year later. They also asked for a certificate, stating that all their obligations to the government had been duly paid and the conduct

of their wives and children had been such as could be expected of honest citizens. Then with affixed seal the permission was granted.

THE BEARER OF THIS PAPER AN ANABAPTIST AND A RESIDENT OF THIS DISTRICT OF ITS SUPERIOR BAILIWICK MAGISTRACY

I ackowledge that for many years Samuel Brilhart has applied in this office for permission of the Government to leave this Country for Pennsylvania of America and also ask for a certificate regarding his conduct of life. Not only has he received such permission but also a certificate stating that all his obligations toward the Government have been duly paid. And his wife and children's conduct has been such as can be expected of honest citizens and no unseemliness on their part is known.

With affixt Seal and usual Signature given at Zweybrücken,

April 29th, 1737
Fürstl. Landschrieber
allod
(Highest District Clerk)

Smith, bailiff of this place.

When the invitation came from William Penn to come to America and take up homes at small cost, it seemed to give more light and hope to many of the poor people that never expected a home of their own if they remained in their homeland.

When the good news came that they would not need to land in those states that were inclined to be religiously intolerant, but could come on

Wm. Penn Making a Treaty with the Indians

Penn Founded Pennsylvania in 1682 on the Principle of Brotherly Love. He Encouraged our Forefathers to Settle on His Land

up the Potomac and land on Pennsylvania soil owned by William Penn, we find our forefathers, with many more, making arrangements to form a colony of their own faith, and gathering supplies and saving their

earnings to pay for the voyage. So with new energy and brightened hope arrangements were made to sail in the spring for the land of America.

They were then ready to arrange for passage on the Concord or Mayflower Boat, belonging to an Emigrant Navigation Company which charged them an excessive rate of passage. This forced many more people into the Redemption Class and together they had to become responsible for the fares of all on the boat. The mortality of the company increased terribly. They overcrowded the vessel with people in order to make more money. On one of these ships there were three hundred and twelve people. Much of their belongings, clothes, trunks, and baggage of all kinds, were placed in another vessel and never again heard of.

From this ship the death toll numbered two hundred and fifty, not counting those that died after they landed. They suffered for weeks from hunger, cold, and thirst. They were also exposed to other diseases due to the unsanitary conditions on the boat. Children from one to seven seldom lived to make the voyage. Mothers were compelled to see their children die and thrown into the watery grave. Few women in confinement ever lived to get across the sea.

The adventure was a trying one. Many days were spent on the raging sea until their hopes of reaching America in safety were nearly gone, and their food and water supplies were exhausted. We are led to believe they appealed much to God for protection and safe deliverance.

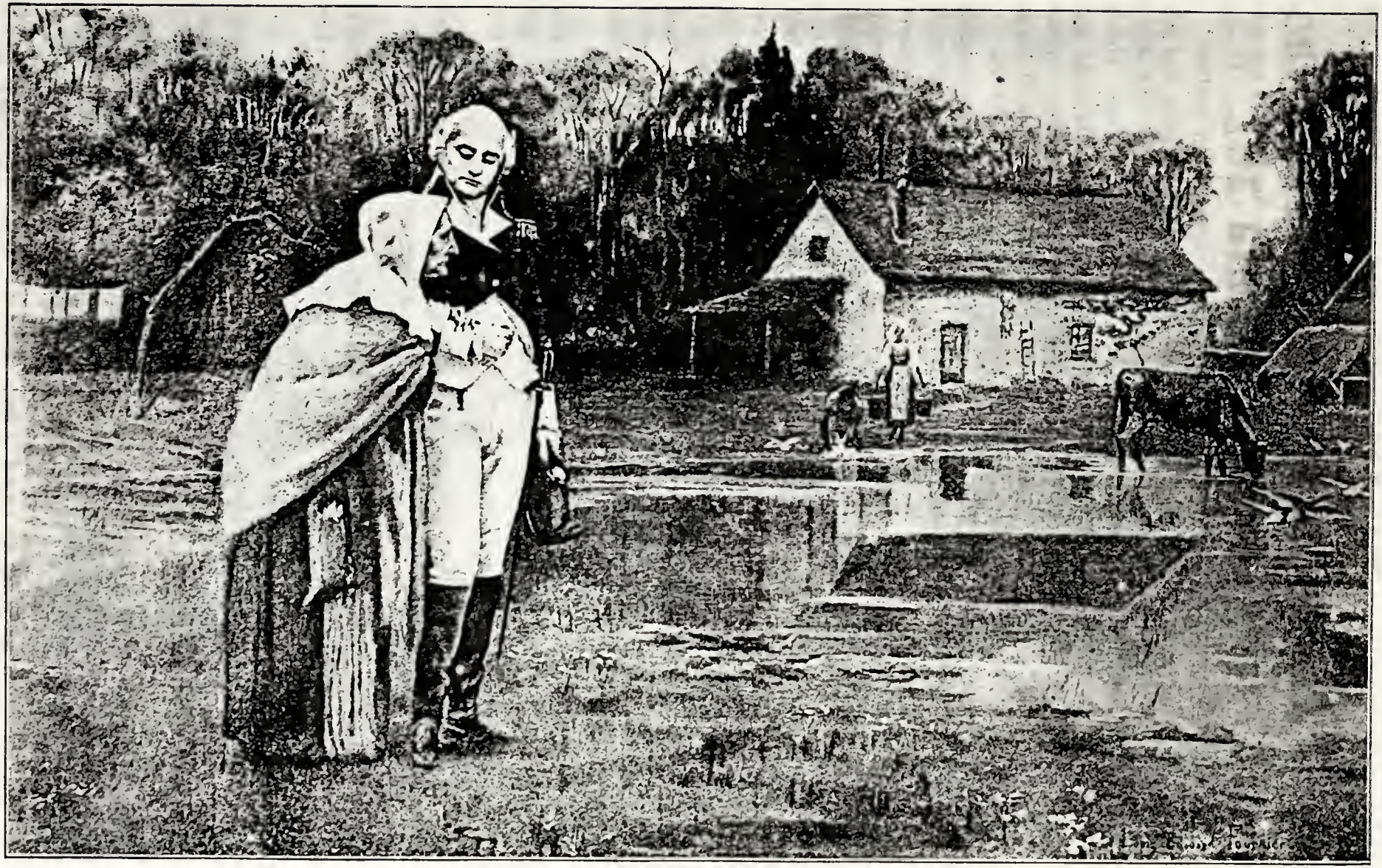
Day after day their eyes were straining every nerve to see the long desired land. It was said it would never be forgotten when the first glimpse of land was had as the vessel raised over the tops of the boisterous waves. How eagerly they looked! How they all rejoiced! Many wept with tears of joy, thanking their blessed Lord for His fatherly care for them. As the vision grew brighter, their hopes began to develop into reality. Such joy can only be felt in the longing heart and not expressed with words.

A few days more were required to get to the place of landing. They were required to go through all the preliminaries that the navigation officers then imposed upon immigrants, but with this completed they were allowed to land.

When they landed in Germantown, sometimes called Armentown (the city of the poor), there was a temporary building there about 15 x 30 feet, made of cheap lumber. The windows were openings with paper nailed over them. This afforded a temporary place to stay until the men located their land. Then they went up the Potomac to Brunswick.

Through the northern part of Maryland and southeastern part of Pennsylvania they took their course, along the old Indian trail through to the Susquehanna River. All along this section they located on lands which they purchased from Wm. Penn.

Now they truly could feel the promises of God verified in a new world that flowed with milk and honey.



George Washington and His Last Interview with His Mother

They built their houses from hewed logs and covered them with clapboards and bark, with a large chimney built of stone and wood in which the old crane hook was used to swing in and out of the fireplace. On this they hung the old iron kettle to cook their meals.

When they baked their corn pone bread, they would make a hole in the hot ashes and place the lump of corn dough there and cover it with hot coals, leaving it there to bake. When baked it was removed and then nicely brushed off. It had the sweetest taste and was much relished by the children. Corn pone and pottage from wild game that was plenty, made a good, inexpensive meal. God always cares for those that call upon Him from a true, devoted heart.

In their humble manner of home life, they were provided with the necessities of life, while they toiled early and late to get their little farms cleared of the timber and brush so that they could raise grain and provisions. They raised flax for their own clothing. After the flax was harvested and bleached, it was broken, then heckeled and scutched, and prepared for the spinning wheel. Then night after night our old mothers spun their tow into yarn. Next it was taken to the old-fashioned loom and woven into linen cloth, then laid out to bleach. Then they made it into garments for all the family. These clothes were very durable. A suit lasted about five years with hard wear.

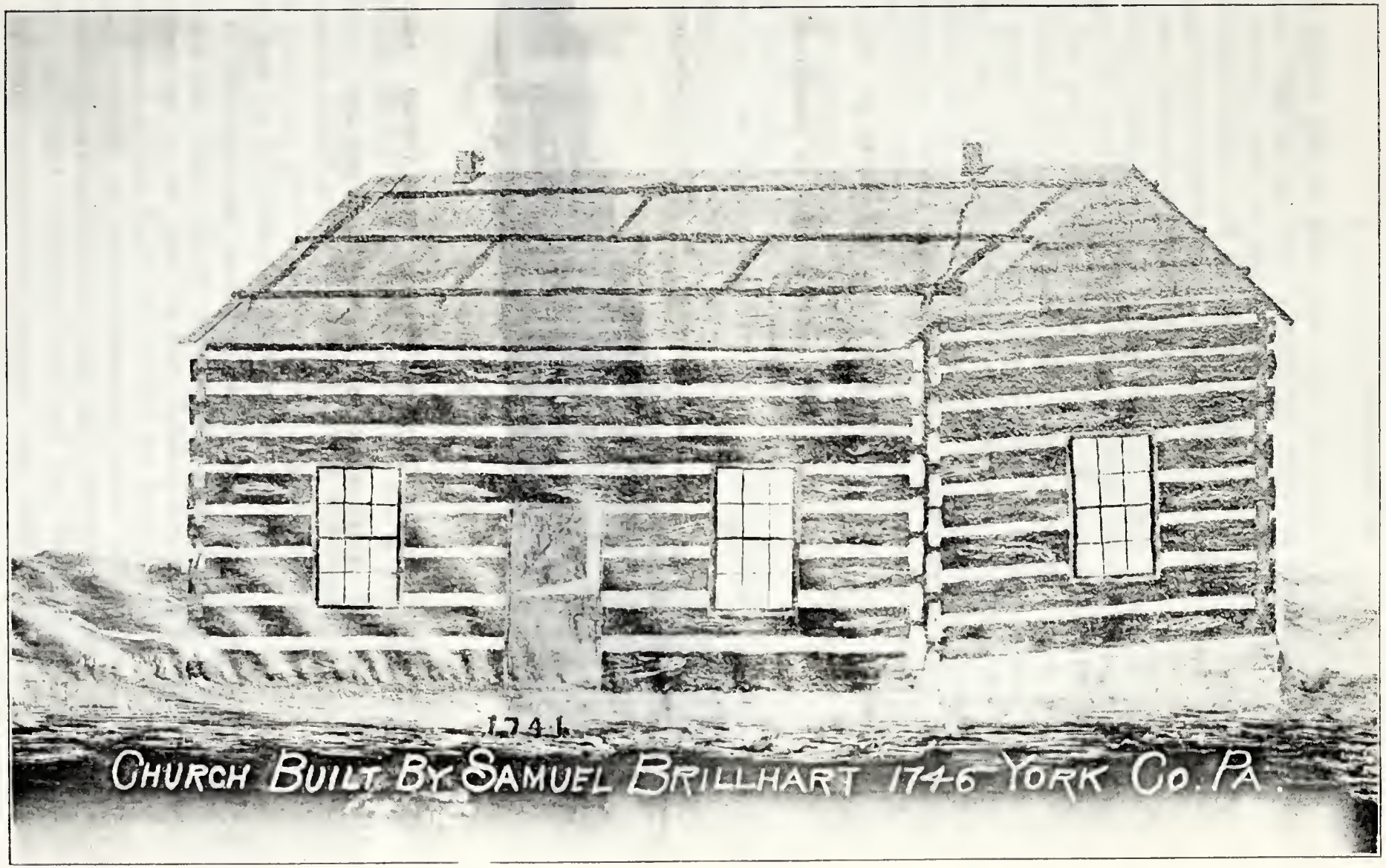
Much hard work for months was required to make clothing for large families. Some of our foreparents would tan deer hides and make them into shoes for their families to wear through the winter. Then in the summer the entire family went in their bare feet.

In the harvest time the women with their sickles went to the fields to reap grain with the men. It was hauled to the barn, and the women with the flail, made of two sticks tied together, helped to thresh and clean the grain.

One of our old grandmothers tells me when she was a young girl of fourteen years her father placed two bushels of wheat on one of his old horses and put her on top of it, and sent her twenty-three miles, through woods nearly all of the way, to a grist mill, to get the wheat ground into flour. She stayed all night at the miller's home. That night he ground the wheat, and early the next morning, placed her and the flour on the old horse and started them toward home.

Samuel Brillhart, who helped build the Mennonite Church, located a few miles from the present town of Hanover in 1746, was a member and minister of that denomination and helped to care for his people and traveled many miles to preach to little flocks of like faith, scattered in the colonies of Lancaster and Chester counties.

Peter and John Brillhart early in 1758 helped to organize the Dunkard Church Congregation in Dunkard Valley, York County, Pennsylvania, and at that time were members of the church now known as the Church of the Brethren.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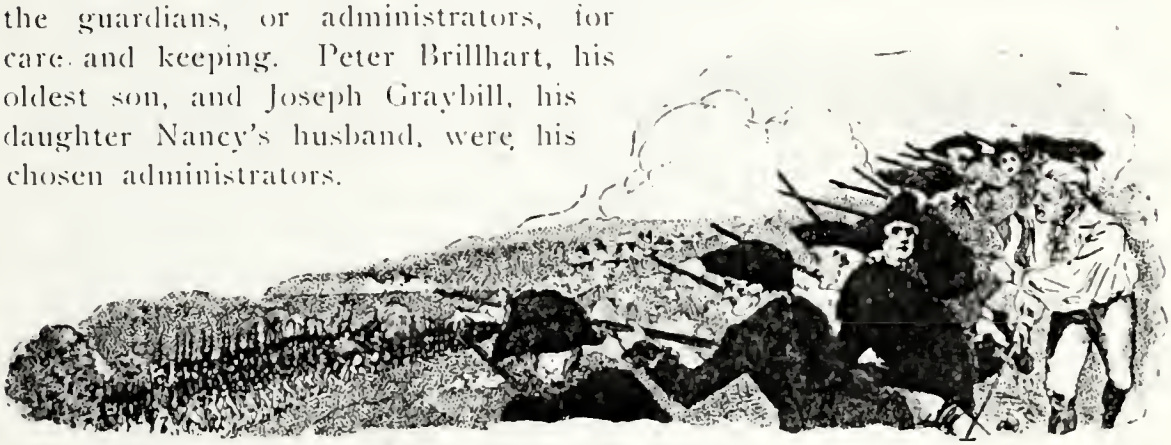
CHURCH BUILT BY SAMUEL BRILLHART 1746 YORK CO. PA.

Later in 1798, or 1799, John, with his family, moved to Rockingham County, Virginia, and this separated him from his kinsfolk, and he has, until recently been the lost branch from his brothers. The issues from these three brothers will be found recorded in this history as you peruse its pages and the drawings in tree form will give the key to all the issues and their relationship to each other.

Peter remained in Red Spring or Shrewsberry Township. There he bought 307 acres of land which he diligently labored to improve. His boys and girls were a great help to him in getting his farm improved. The natural resources of wild game and fish enabled them, with their corn bread, to live at a low material cost. He became a man of much value to the vicinity in which he lived and was a member of the Dunkard Brethren Church. He passed away May 21, 1782, leaving his land to be appraised and divided to two of his sons, Joseph and Christian, and each of the other children to have 60 pounds, English money, each, and every year until the value of his estate was equally divided to all the heirs.

The share of John Brillhart, his son was to remain in the hands of the guardians, or administrators, for care and keeping. Peter Brillhart, his oldest son, and Joseph Graybill, his daughter Nancy's husband, were his chosen administrators.



The Battle of Bunker Hill

By a careful search of records and documents, we find that a few of our early fathers were drafted into the service of 1774 and 1775, in the struggle with England. Four or five of our family line that I can find a trace of served in the Revolutionary War, but without any loss of life. We understand some of our kin were engaged in the battle of Breed's Hill, June 18, 1775, where a desperate fight occurred.

In 1861 again our boys were called out. Many of our cousins were on each side. This was one of the saddest wars of history, because different members of the same kin were fighting against each other. One of our fathers on the North side served for three years in the army, and passed through the terrible three day battle at Gettysburg. He was seemingly providentially cared for, and returned in safety, although a bullet had passed between his body and arm, leaving a scar on both.

Another cousin of the Northern army told me he had been taken

prisoner and suffered greatly from hunger and thirst, and from the unsanitary conditions, and his feet became swollen and sore, because he had no way to clean up and wash. When he was exchanged, or traded for the same number of men on the other side, he was scarcely able to walk.

I talked with two of our cousins from the South. One of them said that he was very reluctant to enter the war, but was in the three day battle of Gettysburg. He was in the Wheatfield and Buckwheat patch two or three different times and was in the skirmish where 1000 of their men were shot down as fast as they advanced to the open field toward the top of Round Top hill. The other cousin was wounded and carried to the hospital before the heaviest part of the battle began. Another of our cousins told me he deserted his rank in the Southern Army and fled to Ohio until the War was ended. Such history only arouses our deepest sympathy for the poor boys that had to give their innocent lives in this great war.

JOHN BRILLHART BRANCH

John Brillhart

John Brillhart, son of John Brillhard of Holland was born in Holland in 1721. He was married to Susan Deordorf in 1741. He was one of the original three brothers who came to America from Holland.

After the three families or boys came across from Holland and landed in what was then Lancaster County, now known as York County, quite a number of the colony took their turn in selecting and locating their homesteads.

John and Peter stopped along in Seven Valley. John with his iron will soon had a log cabin of one room covered with clapboards, and the stone fireplace against the outside, and his little family snugly housed, with plenty of wood to keep them warm. There was still much to fear from the Indians and the wolves of the forest. Once he ventured across the hills to their nearest town to get some supplies. On the way home the sun faded beneath the hills and soon darkness was over them and, losing his way, he was obliged to camp out all night. With their flint and punk, they soon started a fire: As the night grew on the noise of wolves was heard and soon the glistening eyes began to sparkle around them. By throwing hot coals of fire at the wolves to drive them back they passed the night in sleepless fear. As the day began to break, John climbed a tall tree on a hilltop to get his direction toward the settlement. Thus after spending two days and one night without food, they finally found their way back to the heart-aching, worried family. John's mechanical skill helped him much in his industrious life.

In a few years, the vicinity became spotted with settlers. Their lives were much given to worship and thankfulness to God for His preserving grace. They would meet in their humble cabins for worship and church service.

In 1758, John and Peter helped in the organizing of a Dunkard Church now known as the Church of the Brethren, in what is known as Dunkard Valley.

In the year 1790, John took a trip with his little family of five children across into the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia and this move separated him from his kin and no trace seemed to find him, until in 1917, when the Brillhart Reunion was announced and nation-wide search was made, his people were located and now over 3000 of the Brillhart descendants are again linked together in a renewed line of fellowship.

John located on a fine parcel of land in the Valley of Virginia. He with his boys, worked hard from sun to sun, and because of his mechanical skill, in making wagons and blacksmithing, soon he was a most

prosperous and helpful man in the vicinity in which he lived. He and his wife both lie moldering in the tomb in a little private graveyard in Rockingham Co., Virginia, and the influence of their Christian faith still remains alive among our Virginia kin.

John Brillhart and Catherine Huff Brillhart

John Brillhart, a son of John and Susanna Deordorf Brillhart, was born in York County. Pa., in the year 1775.

When he was a grown young man, he went with his father to Rockingham Co., Va. In 1798, he was married to Catherine Huff of Virginia, and to them were born six children: two girls (Catherine and Annie), Jacob, Samuel, John C., Lewis. Some of these children were born in Virginia.

About 1815 they moved from Rockingham County, Va., in the early part of the eighteenth century, stopping in Berks County, Pa., for a while, and later, with his wife and children, and their clothing and few cooking utensils strapped on the backs of his old horses, and with his gun on his shoulder, he led the way over hills and mountains through the woods on the old William Penn Road to the Western part of Pennsylvania. Leaving this road, they followed the old Indian trail to the head waters of the Mahoning Creek and there bought a tract of land with a lovely spring of water flowing from beneath the round top hill, and with a renewed energy, they began to arrange for a little log cabin in which to find shelter from the storms and bleak winds of winter. The fireplace with its swing hook hung over the log fire, and furnished the heat for the boiling pot of venison, and other wild meats, as well as the corn pones.

They began life anew, daily they toiled together in clearing off their farm where they raised their flax for clothing, and thus provided for their temporal needs. Clearing off land was his life work from early boyhood, and change of climate and exposure brought on him an early death. He passed away at the age of 61 years and his wife died at the age of 56 years. Their remains are resting in the Gilgal Cemetery, 18 miles north of Indiana, Indiana County, Pa.

They were among the pioneers that erected the old log church, Gilgal, that afforded them a place of worship, with two sermons each Sunday, one in the forenoon, and one in the afternoon. To the many pioneer members coming from a radius of twenty miles, this afforded an intermission of two hours of greeting and social visiting, which became one of the attractive features of the sacred spot of meeting at Gilgal. The bubbling spring, from beneath the old oak, provided cool, refreshing water, while the spreading oaks furnished foliage and shade, where small groups spent hours in friendly greetings

Our memory goes back to 1859 when we were led to the old sanctuary to spend the entire day in worship and greetings with many other children.

FIRST BRILLHART REUNION
GILGAL CHURCH GROVE
INDIANA COUNTY, PA.
AUGUST 30, 1917

But the old church is altered now; the benches are replaced. The many tombstones mark the events of the past, just sixty-seven years ago. The spring that bubbled beneath the hill is covered with the fallen foliage of time. The path that led us to and from the church has faded from sight, and the oaks to which many horses were tied, have grown old, still bearing their early marks and scars. The sunlight of life goes down over the hills of time, leaving the sacred memories of dear old Gilgal fade into the sea of darkness to our posterity.

Gilgal, the Mother of Churches

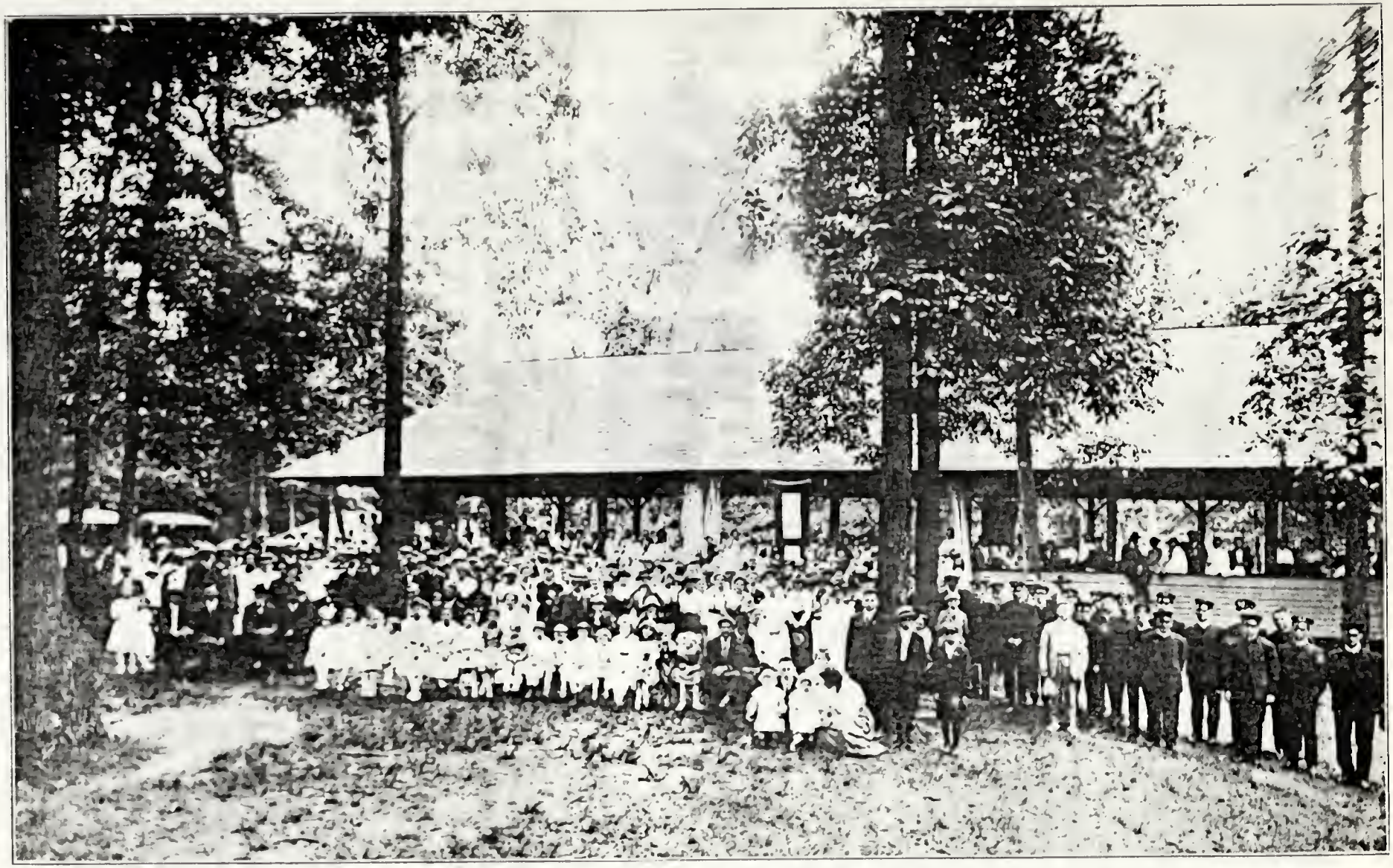
The historic church located about eighteen miles north of Indiana, Indiana County, Pa., was built of hewed logs and dedicated to the worship of God in 1806. This was the only church north of the town of Indiana. The honor of naming the church was conferred upon the first pioneer woman (Martha Thompson). The Auls, Kinters, Blacks, Bradys, Leasures, Lewises, Hopkins, Brillharts, Brewers, Hamiltons, Norths, Simpsons, Works, McCreerys, Allsons, and others, within a radius of ten miles or more gathered there for worship.

The name signified that the Jordan of their trials was providentially crossed, and this spot (Gilgal) was a place of spiritual refreshment, after each six days of hard toil, cutting timber, rolling, clearing and burning brush, all activities necessary to cleaning up their ground. The joy of meeting each other at this chosen spot to exchange greetings and hear the preached Word, was much cherished by all. The day was spent with an intermission of two or three hours between sermons, which helped to bind the friendly fellowship more and more.

The mothers were on horseback with a child in front and one behind. The older ones walked beside with the father. They walked for miles; some had to start quite early in the morning to be in time for the forenoon service, taking their lunch along for noon. When the afternoon service was over they separated, each going their own way through the paths and newly-cut roads in the woods, to find themselves at home when the sun had nearly set behind the western hills.

The fond memories of our childhood go back to 1858, when we were taken by our parents to this now sacred spot. In our memory of the past our thoughts are as children born to us that we dare not let carelessly die. When we look back to our grandfather's day and visit the old home where stand the many evident marks of life's energy—the old stone spring house, the double wall spring, and the heap of ruins from the crumbled walls of their first log cabin—and we eat the fruit of the old Virginia sweet, then walk up to the top of round top field, where we used to roll stones down, to see them go faster and faster until they disappeared in the woods below, and then look forward to our little grandchildren of 1926 still enjoying the same blessings, it stirs in our memory the childlike spirit of the past. We

The Brillhart Brass Band Composed of Thirty Members, at the Second Brillhart Reunion, Brookside Park, Pa.



The Second Brillhart Reunion, Brookside Park, Pa.

visit the Gilgal Church yard again and the graves of our grandfathers and fathers, brothers and even children, mark the victory over Jordan into the Gilgal of Canaan.

Jacob Brillhart

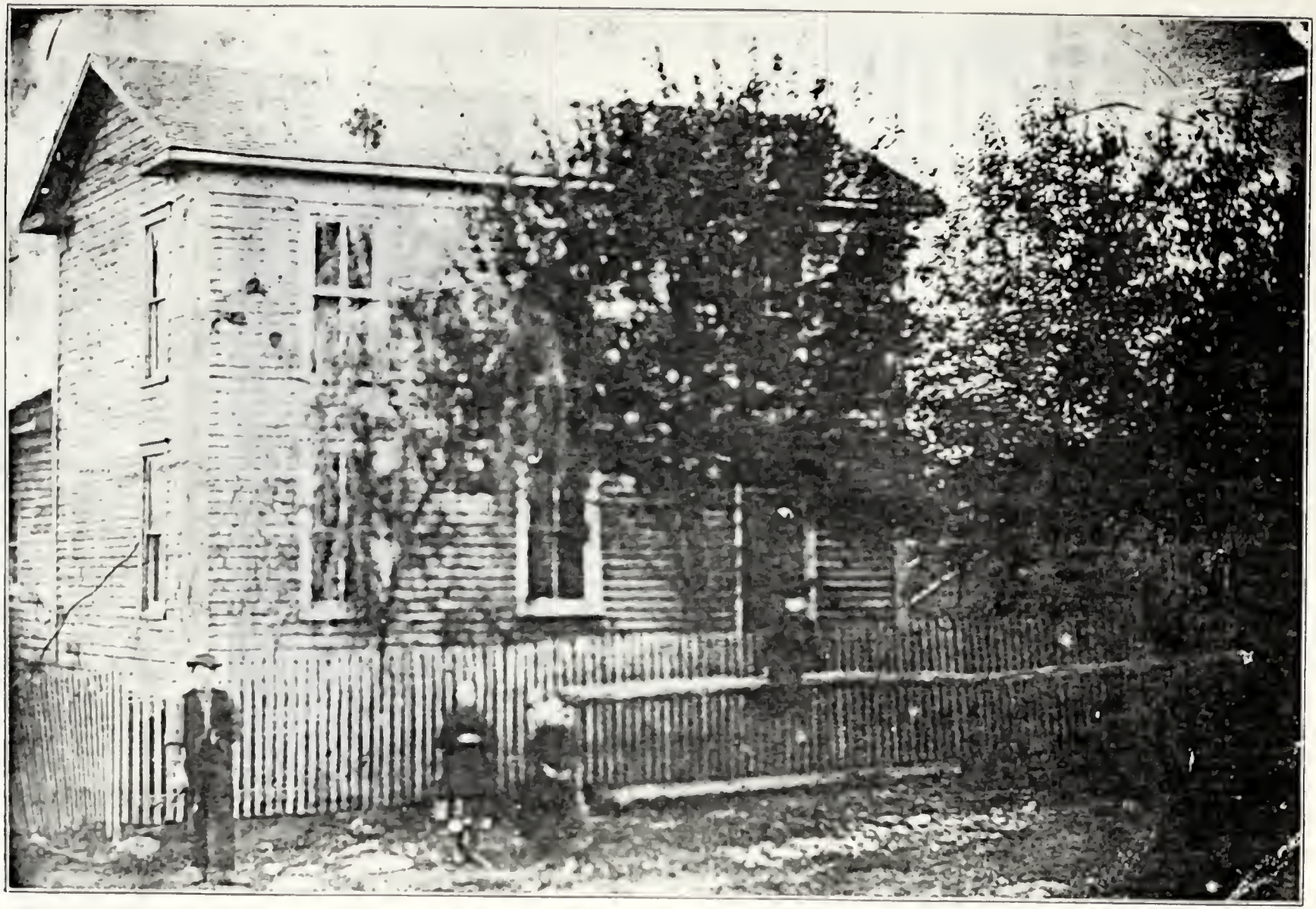
Jacob Brillhart, a son of John and Catherine Brillhart, was born in Shenandoah Valley, Rockingham County, Virginia, on April 13, 1802. His father being opposed to slavery, sold his farm and moved into eastern Pennsylvania and from there moved on a tract of land, uncleared, in East Mahoning Township, Indiana Co., near Georgeville, Pa., and began a pioneer's life where he started to chop down trees and clear off a farm. Here Jacob bought one half of his father's farm. At the age of thirty years, he met, courted, loved and married Miss Mary Braughler. Being a natural mechanic he made his own furniture, did his own blacksmith work, and made his own guns and shoes. He killed many deer and wild game which greatly helped them in providing meat for the family. Thus by hard toil and through many difficulties, they succeeded in getting their farm cleared off and their family reared. To this union were born seven children: Caroline, Josiah, Jacob Clark, William, Abraham H., Amanda, and John A.

Jacob and Mary Braughler Brillhart

In 1850, he sold the farm on account of his health and moved into Georgeville, there he followed mechanical work and became a much needed man in the vicinity. He had in one building, the postoffice, a confectionery store, a shoe repair bench, a watch repair bench, and a gunsmith bench. In an outside building, he had his carpenter bench and tools, wagon maker shop, and a blacksmith forge. Mechanical ability seemed a natural gift to him which made his place of much value to the vicinity. He continued in his work until he was called by death on Monday morning, Nov. 30, 1868. He lived a quiet, helpful, and reserved life and was a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Mary Braughler Brillhart

Mrs. Mary Braughler Brillhart, born Jan. 14, 1816, a busy, thrifty



The Home of Jacob Brillhart, Georgeville, Pa.

mother of seven, was left long in widowhood, yet ever retained her happy disposition.

In the eventide of life, she spent her days a welcome inmate in the homes of her children and grandchildren.

In the fall she would visit the fields of oats, bringing home the No. 1A straw of which she would manufacture straw hats for the men of the family. She also was a great knitter for her needy ones unto the second and third generations. When the knitting was accomplished, she would assist in other handiwork.

The last year of her sojourn here she assisted in the work of keeping the Brethren Church (of which she was a member) in order for services. She was in attendance at services on her last evening on earth. In the morning of Feb. 20, 1894, when her room was visited, a hearty good morning greeting was given but it found no response, as the Master had spoken unto her during her slumbers and said, "Come up higher."

Caroline Estella Brillhart

Caroline Estella Brillhart, a daughter of Jacob and Mary (Braughler)

Peter and Caroline Brillhart Beer

Brillhart, was born on the old farm near Georgeville, Indiana County, Pa., Sept. 14, 1833.

Her early life was spent on the farm. She had a common school education. After she grew to womanhood she was married to Peter Beer January 25, 1855. They moved to an adjoining township and bought several hundred acres of timber land. They began to build a saw mill and cut logs and make timber for rafting down the Susquehanna.

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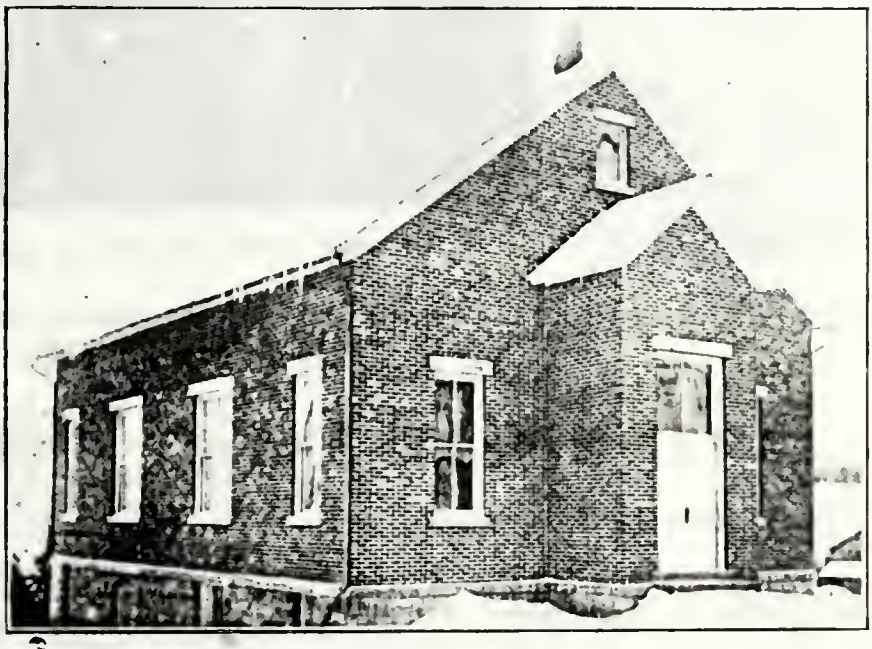
She was a faithful helper, always having a number of men to work and cook for, for many years. She raised a family of seven children:

Mary Elizabeth, Rockton, Pa., born 1856.
Jacob Harvey Beer, Denton, Md., minister, born 1858.
Samuel Henry Beer, Akron, O., laborer, born 1860.
Emma Jane Kirk, deceased, born 1863; died 1885.
Sarah Ann Korb, Rockton, Pa., farmer, born 1876.
Amanda Alice Smith, Rockton, Pa., born 1869.
Josiah Charles, Rockton, Pa., born 1872.

Mr. Beer was a minister of the Gospel and an elder in the Church of the Brethren.

Later in 1876, they failed in business and then moved into Clearfield



Church of the Brethren, Rockton, Pa.

County, Pa., where she passed away on July 12, 1912, at a ripe old age. She lived a devoted Christian life and leaves many friends to mourn her loss. Both she and her husband were laid to rest in the Rockton burying ground which marks for them the end of all flesh.

Mary Beer Hollopeter

Mary Elizabeth Beer, daughter of Peter Beer and Caroline Brillhart, born 1856, married E. W. Hollopeter. To this union the following children were born:

Darrell M. Hollopeter, Rockton, Pa., postmaster.
Mervin R. Hollopeter, Big Run, Pa., asst. foreman.
Glenn W. Hollopeter, Rockton, Pa., electrician.
Jason B. Hollopeter, Rockton, Pa., minister.

Ray H. Hollopeter, Akron, Ohio, tiremaker.
Calvin S. Hollopeter, Big Run, Pa., foreman.
Mark M. Hollopeter, deceased; died Oct. 13, 1918, at Camp Greenleaf, Ga.

Darrel M. Hollopeter married Beulah Neeley, Aug., 1902. They live at Rockton, Pa., where he is postmaster. Their children are as follows:

Family of Elizabeth Beer Hollopeter

D. Lambert, Rockton, Pa., born 1903.
Leonard G., Rockton, Pa., born 1905.
Delphin D., Rockton, Pa., born 1907.
Leone, Rockton, Pa., born 1909.
Velma, Rockton, Pa., born 1911.
Meryl G., Rockton, Pa., born 1912; died 1913.
Mwilda, Rockton, Pa., born 1916.
M. Matilda, Rockton, Pa., born 1918.

Mervin Hollopeter married Ella Gray, Sept. 10, 1902. To this union the following children were born:

Oral Hollopeter, Big Run, Pa.
Garrison Hollopeter, Big Run, Pa.; died.
Roy Hollopeter, Big Run, Pa.

Jason Beer Hollopeter, married Pearl M. Ray, June 1, 1911. To this union the following children were born:

Ruth Ray Hollopeter, Rockton, Pa., born, Oct. 12, 1912; died Oct. 12, 1912.
Jason Philip Hollopeter, Rockton, Pa., born Sept. 30, 1913.
Sarah Evelyn Hollopeter, Rockton, Pa., born Feb. 19, 1916.
Ellwood Lyle Hollopeter, Rockton, Pa., born May 22, 1918.

Ray Hollopeter

Ray Hollopeter, a son of Elias William Hollopeter and Elizabeth Beer, was born May 16, 1893, on the old homestead near Rockton, Pa.

In the spring of 1904, he united with the Brethren Church and has been a member ever since. He grew up on the farm and went to the country school till the spring of 1911. He passed the eighth grade. He stayed at home on the farm till 1912. He then went to Summer Normal and taught school the following two years. The wages being small, he then went to South Carolina and was head clerk there in the General Store for John E. DuBois, Lumber Co., at Cashs Depot, S. C. He worked there till the fall of 1916.

Then in the spring of 1917, he came to Akron, Ohio, where he was employed by the Firestone Tire and Rubber Co.

On April 14, 1917, he was married to Velma Edith Spicher, a faithful worker in the Mennonite Church at Rockton, Pa., They then moved to Akron and have made their home there ever since.

The Lord blessed their home with a son, born on Oct. 17, 1918, named Raymond Carl. He was with them only ten days when the Lord called him home, but they were comforted to know that he is safe in the arms of Jesus, free from the hardships and trials of this world.

In the spring of 1920, they bought a farm near Akron, Ohio, where they hope in the near future to make their home.

Ray and Velma Spicher Hollopeter

Calvin Hollopeter

Calvin and Jennie Spicher Hollopeter

Calvin Hollopeter, son of Mary Elizabeth and E. W. Hollopeter, was born in 1888. He was a boy of much natural refinement, being always manly and pleasant in his manner. When he finished his school he selected out of his many friends Miss Jennie Spicher, a daughter of W. G. and Lorana Spicher, for his partner in life. To this union were born six children: Lena Love, Goldie Lorena, William Calvin, Ruth Elizabeth, Ella Mae, and Blaine Morris. He has been in the employ of a firm in Big Run for a number of years. Their home life has been commendable for its Christian influence.

J. H. Beer

J. H. Beer, born 1858, married Laura Brubaker, Mar. 18, 1879. They live at Denton, Md., and he is a minister and merchant. Their children are as follows:

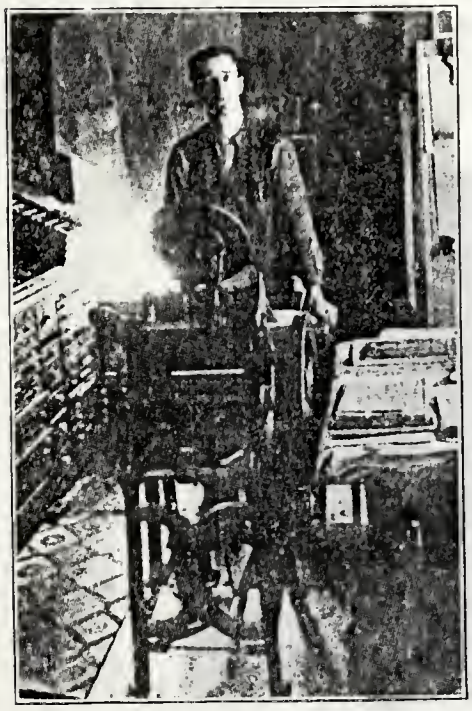
J. H. and Laura Brubaker Beer and Daughter Helen

Hattie Place, Worcester, Mass., born Feb. 28, 1881.
Grace Hendricks, Harrington, Del., born Sept. 16, 1883.
Monzo D. Beer, Denton, Md., born Nov. 14, 1886; died Sept. 4, 1918.
Frank Beer, born Sept. 17, 1888; died Sept. 17, 1888.
Helen Biddle, Wilmington, Del., born Sept. 15, 1890.
Wilbur Beer, Denton, Md., missionary, born Jan. 24, 1894.
Jennie Beer, Denton, Md., educational work, born Apr. 26, 1897.

Hattie Beer married John Place.
Grace Beer married John Hendricks.
Frank Beer married Mabel Moore
Helen Beer married Dan Biddle.

Samuel H. Beer, second son of Caroline and Peter Beer, was born in 1850 in Indiana Co., Pa., and brought to Clearfield Co., Pa., with his parents. He married Lizzie Place. To them were born six children: Chloe, Elva, Percy, Ruth, and two others. He was engaged in mercantile business for some time. He then moved to Akron, O., and is working for a rubber company.

Samuel H. Beer

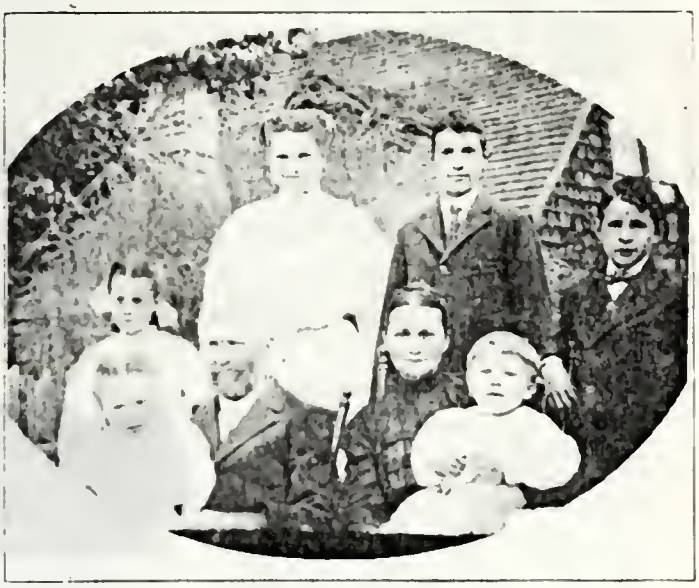


Dallas Kirk in His Printshop

Emma Beer, born 1863, married Jason

E. Kirk, Aug. 5, 1884. She is dead. They had one child, D. B. Kirk, Rockton, Pa., born 1885, printer.

Sadie Beer, born 1867, married Adam Korb, Mar. 13, 1890. To this union the following children were born:



Sadie Beer Korb and Family

- Jennie Korb, Rockton, Pa., farmer, born Feb. 8, 1891.
- Wm. Korb, Bigier, Pa., laborer, born Apr. 17, 1893.
- Oliver Korb, Rockton, Pa., laborer, born Jan. 9, 1897.
- Caroline Korb, Rockton, Pa., farmer, born Apr. 30, 1900.
- Allie Korb, twin, Rockton, Pa., farmer, born Mar. 7, 1905.
- Allen Korb, twin, Rockton, Pa., farmer, born Mar. 7, 1905.

Jennie Korb married Chauncey Coldwell, Mar. 23, 1909.
Wm. Korb married Julia Williams, Feb. 6, 1919.

Alice Beer, sixth child of Caroline and Peter Beer, born 1869, in Indiana Co., Pa., finished her school in Rockton, Pa., and later married Philip Smith. To them were born Joy, Charles, William, Virginia.

Mr. Smith was a teamster in the lumber woods and died of typhoid fever.

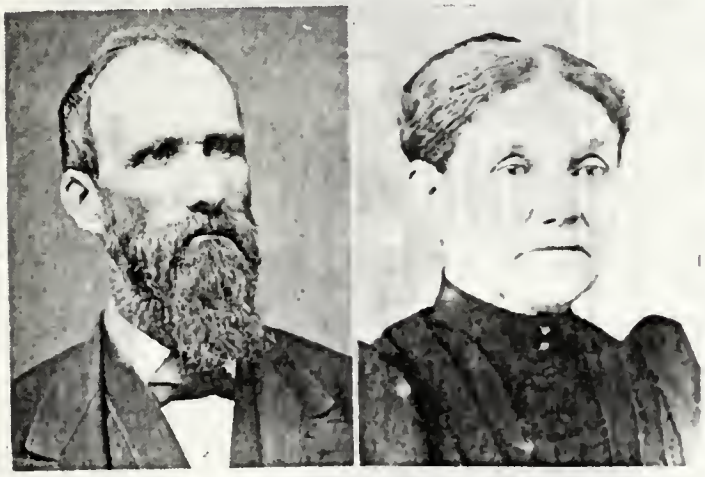
Josiah Charles Beer, born 1872, married Sadie Brubaker, Feb. 13, 1896.

Josiah Charles Beer and son Ansel Charles

They had one child, Ansel Charles Beer, Dearborn, Mich., born 1898, mechanic.

Josiah H. Brillhart

Josiah H. Brillhart the oldest son of Jacob and Mary Brillhart, was born January 4, 1836, about two miles from Georgeville, Indiana County, Pa. When he was about ten years old his father moved with his little family to the village of Georgeville. At this place, he acquired his common school education. Then when he grew to his teens he entered the store of John Chambers as clerk where he remained until his marriage. At the age of 21 he met and was married to Miss Jane Donohoe, November 16, 1857.



J. H. and Jane Donohoe Brillhart

Six years after their marriage, they moved to the city of Indiana. There he bought some property in which they made their home. Mr. Brillhart entered his business life in partnership with Adam Braughler and after some years of successful business and accumulation of means, he sold out his interests to his partner and opened up a business in a general store. He was identified with the business interests of both town and county.

Children of J. H. Brillhart

Since 1863 when he first made Indiana his home town, he stood for every laudable enterprise. He ably assisted in the management of minicipal affairs and won for himself the crown of good citizenship by his many charitable and trustworthy acts.

To this union were born five children, as follows: Sadie A., William

J., Leslie J., Harry H., and Edward C. Sadie is yet single and living in the old homestead. William was married to Miss Earnest and to them was born one son, Carl C., who was in France in U. S. service in 1918. Leslie J. is unmarried. Harry H. single, in business in Indiana, Pa. Edward C. married Miss S. Carthan. To them were born four children: Edna, Josiah, Leslie, and Emma, now living in Homer City, Pa.

Carl C. Brillhart

Josiah's wife died early in life leaving his daughter to care for the home duties. He was a faithful member of the Presbyterian Church. He passed away April 25, 1905. His body was laid to rest in the Greenwood Cemetery of Indiana, Pa.

His son, Harry, was administrator of the estate and he and his sister Sadie, both single, continued the business for a number of years, but later sold it. Harry has been very successful in the coal and real estate business.

Jacob Clark Brillhart

Jacob Clark Brillhart, a son of Jacob and Mary Braughler Brillhart, a grandson of John and Catherine Huff Brillhart, was born on the farm two miles east of Georgeville, Indiana Co., Pa., on April 22, 1844.

After he grew to be a lad of eleven or twelve, he made his home with his sister, Caroline Beer, after her marriage.

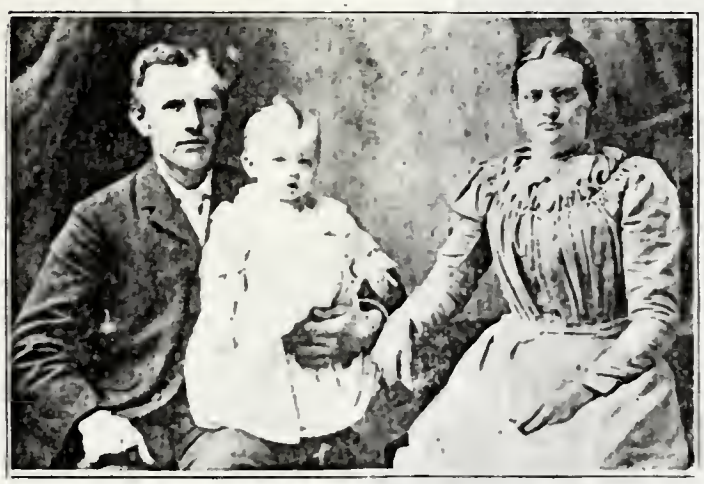
He took an active interest in Mr. Beer's work and soon was able to drive his team and haul lumber. His life was devoted to hard work.

Jacob Clark and Fannie Hamilton Brillhart

Home of Jacob Clark Brillhart

In the year 1866, March 18, he was united in marriage to Fannie E. Hamilton. To this union six children were born: Hamilton, Harry, Carrie, Matthew, Peter, and Belle.

They lived their entire life in Grant Township, Indiana County, Pa., with little knowledge of the outside world. He was drafted in the last draft in the Civil War in 1863 and was taken to the front, but the war was soon over. He still lives close to the home of his early life. He was a hearty, healthy, rugged man and never knew sickness. He has reached the honorable old age of 82 years, with promises of years yet to come. He is a devoted Christian, and a member of the Church of the Brethren. A list of the children follows:



Joseph and Carrie Brillhart Widdowson

Mary Brillhart, born 1868, died 1872.
J. H. Brillhart, born 1873, died 1891.
Harry Brillhart, born 1876, Rochester Mills, farmer.
Carrie E. Brillhart, born 1876, married Jos. A. Widdowson. Seven children: Harry O., Glen, Max, Bessie, Paul, Robert, and Ira.
Matthew Brillhart, born 1879, Rochester Mills, farmer, married Bertha

Robert and Belle Brillhart Plough

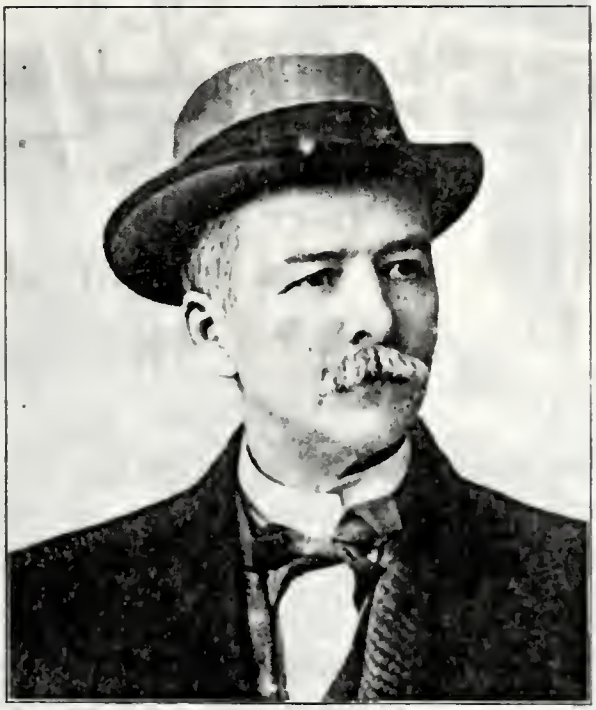
Harry Brillhart

Home of Matthew Brillhart

Rareigh. Three children: Lucile, Charley, Leroy.
Peter G. Brillhart, born 1883, Rochester Mills, farmer.
Clara B. Brillhart, born 1881, Rochester Mills, farmer, married Robert Plough.

William Wellington Brillhart

William Wellington Brillhart, a son of Jacob and Mary Braughler Brillhart, a grandson of John and Catherine Huff Brillhart, was born on the farm two miles southeast of Georgeville, Indiana County, Pa., Feb. 25, 1847.



William W. Brillhart

Later with his parents he went to Georgeville where he acquired a fair education. He followed photographing and painting. Later he went to Venango County, Pa., during the oil excitement in 1868, and followed pumping oil for some time, then entered into business in Rouseville, running a jewelry store and news depot.

He was attracted by a young lady, Miss Annie Galbreth, and on Feb. 25, 1873, was united in marriage. To this union three children were born: Guy, of Pittsburgh, Percy, of New York, and William of Florida. After marrying, they moved to Mt. Union, Ohio, where he followed watch repairing and painting for some time. In 1880, he moved to Indiana, Indiana County, Pa., where he followed his vocation up unto the last.

William W. and Annie Galbreth Brillhart

In his young years at the age of 17 years he enlisted in Company F, 105 Pa. Volunteers in the Civil War and survived to the end of the war. His life was made up of struggles and disappointments but because of

Jewelry Store of W. W. Brillhart, Indiana, Pa.

his mild, loving disposition, he always kept sweet and had a kind word for all. His departure was sweetened by the hope of eternal life. His life was lived for others.

His three boys acquired a good education and have the promise of a bright successful future.

He passed away Dec. 26, 1915.

Abraham Hetrick Brillhart

Abraham Hetrick Brillhart, a son of Jacob and Mary Braughler Brillhart, a grandson of John and Catherine Huff Brillhart, was born at Georgeville, Indiana County, Pa., on Sept. 21, 1849.

His school days were limited to about three months each winter. When he was about 17 years old, his father passed away. This left the cares of the home upon him, his mother, one sister, and one young brother, the latter two being about twelve and nine years old.

He was assistant postmaster for his father and with the small income therefrom, combined with careful living, he managed to support the home. His mother helped her neighbors wherever she could, thus they kept the home comfortably supplied.

A. H. and Elizabeth Spicher Brillhart

Later, in 1869, he went to Venango Co., Pa., and worked in the oil field until 1871. He moved his mother to an adjoining township on a little farm in the woods and began a pioneer life clearing off ground to begin farming. Money was scarce and there was not much to be earned outside of producing a living from the farm.

His acquaintance and social life among the young associates was much cherished by all his many friends. He became acquainted with and united in the bonds of holy matrimony, on June 26, 1873, with Elizabeth Spicher. To this union were born six children: Lona Etta, Catherine, John H., Murrell S., Braughler, and Milton Q. Shortly before he was married his house caught fire and burned to the ground with much of his household goods. Then he, with the kind assistance of his neighbors, erected a four-room house. This he lived in yet with his mother. After his marriage this house also caught fire and burned down with much of the household goods. With renewed courage and much energy he struggled through and built a modern six-room house. The load of debt and

bad luck made life's road a hard pull, but with his patient, satisfied disposition and the help of a good wife, they soon pulled through their difficulties.

Later in life, he bought a store in Nashville, Pa., adjoining his home farm. This seemed to be a success for a few years, when this also caught fire and burned to the ground with the contents.

Mr. Brillhart had no insurance on any of his property which made his loss entirely to be borne by himself. He was a member of the Church of the Brethren from 1874 on through life. He handed the cares of life over to his youngest son, and lived a quiet, reserved life with nothing to regret of the past. He passed away Feb. 26, 1922.

His family is as follows: John Henry Brillhart married to Emma McCown. Their children are McCown and Wilber Brillhart. Lona Etta O'Harrow, wife of Lawrence O'Harrow. They have two children, Ella and William. Braughler Brillhart married Jessie Colmen. Catherine Mary Berky, wife of Daniel Berky, a minister in the Church of the Brethren, and their children are Harry and Page Berky. Merrell S. Brillhart to Tessie ——. Milton Quay Brillhart married to Rosie Hazelett, one child.

Lona O'Harrow's children are: Minnie O'Harrow Smith, Oley O'Harrow, Elmer O'Harrow Adda O'Harrow, Harvey O'Harrow, Florence O'Harrow, Merrell Clyde O'Harrow.

Mary Amanda Brillhart

Mary Amanda Brillhart, daughter of Jacob and Mary Braughler Brillhart, a granddaughter of John and Catherine Huff Brillhart, was born in Georgeville, Indiana Co., Pa., Sept. 22, 1854, and acquired a common school education.

Levi and Amanda Brillhart Spicher and Family

After the death of her father in 1868, she went to an adjoining township to make her home with her oldest sister, Mrs. Caroline Beer.

At the age of 17 she met with Mr. Levi Spicher and by permission of her mother, united in the bonds of holy matrimony. They lived in rented homes for a few years, then bought and cleared land, and built a house where they lived until 1876. They then sold their home and moved to Rockton, Clearfield County, Pa., where they bought a farm partly cleared

and began to fix up and improve it. They soon found a buyer and sold out. He then went to a lumber mill to work by the day.

To this union were born five boys and three girls: William A., Charles B., Jessie, Glenn, John, Almina Florence, Elsie and Carrie. They bought a piece of land near his work, cleared some land between times, and in the evening; finally raised their first crop of wheat and stored it in a neighbor's barn. After he had threshed and was cleaning up the floor, he slipped and his hand entered the machine and was torn off, but by the aid of others his body was saved from being drawn through the machine. This meant much to a home to lose an arm when there was a family depending on the father for support. Gradually his arm healed and with an iron will and the children's help he struggled on. He managed to buy a team and wagon and began hauling lumber. This helped much as they managed to clear off the land and erect buildings. They managed to get their home in shape to make a nice living. In the year 1900, they sold out and moved to Denton, Md., where they bought and sold the second farm. The children are all married and have homes of their own.

They both united with the Church of the Brethren early in life and amid all the trying circumstances of life, they kept sweet, and lived lives devoted to their faith. They always enjoyed good health through life and accumulated enough to care for themselves in their declining years.

Joseph and Almina Spicher Hummel and Family

Later they bought a property in the town of Denton and now are living quite snugly, enjoying good health although clustering around the eighties.

A list of the children follows:

William A. Spicher, Greensboro, Md.
Almina F. Spicher, born 1874, Chestertown, Pa., farmer.
Charles B. Spicher, Sabula, Pa., farmer.
Jesse C. Spicher, born 1880, Pottstown, Pa., farmer.

Charles B. Spicher and Family

Glenn E. Spicher, Delmar, Del., engineer.
Elsie Steward Spicher, Easton, Md., millman.
John E. Spicher, Wilmington, Del.
Carrie Dill Spicher, Wilmington, Del.

William A. Spicher married Annie Smith, June 24, 1896. He is a farmer. To them were born the following children:

Lila E. Hubbard, born 1897, Goldsboro, Md.
Mary K. Spicher, born 1900, Wilmington, Del.
Edna F. Spicher, born 1902, Greensboro, Md.
Virginia R. Spicher, born 1904, Greensboro, Md.
P. A. Spicher, born 1906, Greensboro, Md.
Marion Spicher, born 1912, Greensboro, Md.

Lila E. Spicher married Harry H. Hubbard Jan., 1917.

Almina Spicher married Joseph Hummel. She was born Jan. 7, 1875. He was born June 12, 1870. They live at Chestertown. They had three children:

Russell L. Hummel, born Sept. 4, 1897.
Esther A. Hummel, born Aug. 21, 1899.
Elva Jane Hummel, born Feb. 2, 1908.

Charles B. Spicher

Charles B. Spicher was married to Dora M. Huey January 1, 1901. He is a farmer and lives at Sabula, Pa.

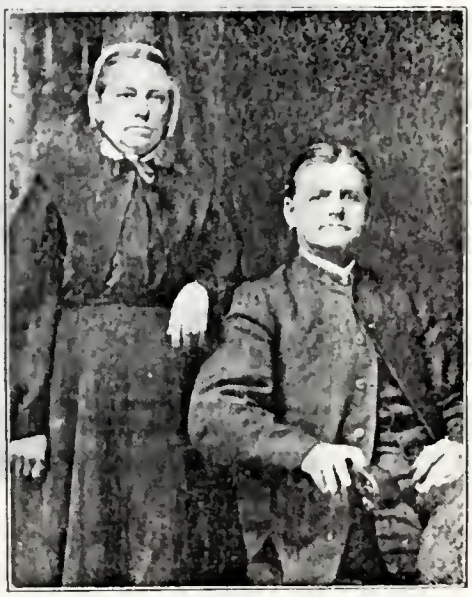
To this union seven children were born as follows:

Roxy P. Spicher, born Aug. 10, 1902, Sabula.
Susie A. Spicher, born May 4, 1904, Sabula.
Homer A. Spicher, born Oct. 9, 1905, Sabula.
Samuel B. Spicher, born Aug. 1, 1907, Sabula.
Mary E. Spicher, born Mar. 11, 1913, Sabula.
Clarence W. Spicher, born Mar. 3, 1915, Sabula.
Blaine O. Spicher, born Aug. 27, 1917, Sabula.

John A. Brillhart

John A. Brillhart was born in Georgeville, Indiana County, Pa., April 22, 1857, the youngest son of Jacob and Mary Brillhart.

At the age of 10 years, his father died, leaving him to help to care for the home and feel the responsibilities gradually increasing. To care for his mother and home, he began working at whatever could be found to do. The winter found him at school until 1873, when he attended Purchasline Academy. He moved on a farm with his mother and brother



J. A. and Mary Hummel Brillhart

Children of J. A. Brillhart

in 1876, worked in Alliance, Ohio, and then went to Venango Co., Pa., during the oil excitement, still helping the home needs as he could.

In 1878, he moved to Clearfield County, Pa., and soon became acquainted with Miss Mary A. Hummel, whom he married on May 29, 1879. His life was filled with joy and sunshine.

Delegation from the Gilgal Reunion at Scottdale, Pa.

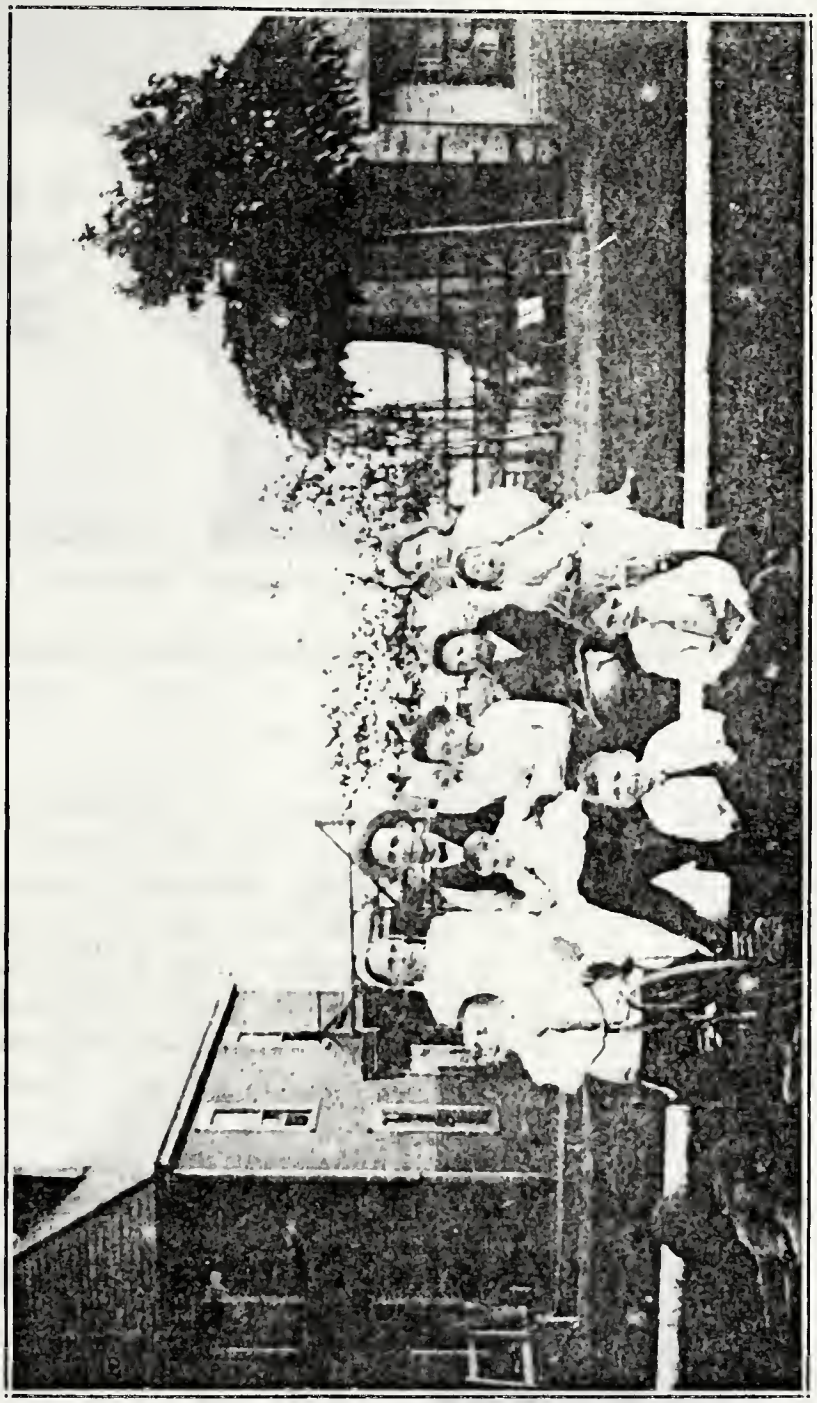
In November, 1879, he was united to the People of God and soon became an earnest worker for his Master. He labored in the heavy timber, cutting logs and manufacturing lumber, until there was some accumulation of means and soon owned his own home. He was blessed with seven children, five boys and two girls: Charles A., Sell (died small), Clarence H., Minerva May, Emma Jane, Frank J., David S.

In the year, 1894, he was called to the ministry of the Gospel, and God blessed his efforts. Taking a course of Bible work at Huntingdon strengthened his work. The cares of the home and duties of a ministerial life began to weigh heavy and responsibilities doubled. Yet by the help of his faithful wife, the rough places of life were smoothed by her motherly care and comforting words.

A Gilgal Reunion Crowd at Scottdale, Pa.

In 1900, they moved to Scottdale, Pa., where he followed carpenter work. In 1902 they moved to Snyder Co., Pa., where he had bought a farm, while caring for his spiritual duties pastor of the Susquehanna Church. In 1904, he moved to Masontown, Pa., to care for the little church there and worked at his trade, erecting coal washers and building

company houses. In 1907, he again moved to Scottdale, Pa., diligently following his vocation, building houses on a rental basis which gradually developed into the retail lumber business. Finally at the age of 69 years, he began to close out his lumber business and placed his means in real



C. A. Brillhart and Family

estate and other stock, that he might live his few remaining years with less strain and follow his heavenly calling closer. He is a minister in the Scottdale Mennonite Church.

The unpleasant experiences of his life have been omitted but in all his trials in life, he was disposed to keep sweet and fostered the thought of helping those in need.

C. A. and Cora Loucks Brillhart

Charles A. Brillhart

Charles A. Brillhart, a son of John A. and Mary Hummel Brillhart, a grandson of Jacob and Mary Braughler Brillhart, was born Dec. 10, 1879, at Rockton, Pa., acquiring a very limited education.

He began work in the woods early in life. Later he entered work in the brickyard of Horberson and Walker, and followed this laborious task until he was taken down with typhoid fever. After some time he recovered and through the influence of Aaron Loucks, he went to Scottdale, Pa., where he soon acquired a position with better pay. He faithfully served his employer, learning the roofing business until he finally met and married Miss Cora Loucks, May 1[illegible], 1903. From this time he began on a small scale to enter into business for himself. His business increased gradually taking on plumbing, roofing, and heating, in connection with hardware and all kind of builder's supplies. To this union seven children were born: Elmer, Harold, Laverne, Earl, Marion, Mildred, and Clifford. He became a Christian in his early life.

C. H. and Dillia Stahl Brillhart

Clarence H. Brillhart

Clarence H. Brillhart, son of John A. and Mary Hummel Brillhart, grandson of Jacob and Mary Braughler Brillhart, was born at Rockton, Pa., Sept. 1, 1883.

His youthful years were taken up on the farm and acquiring some

C.A BRILHART HARDWARE PLUMBING
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common school education. He followed his brother to Scottdale in 1899 and later July 22, 1903, united in marriage to Miss Dillia Stahl of Jones Mills, Pa. To this union two children were born: Sarah Sylvania, and Aaron A.

Arthur and Sarah Brillhart Leasure

He bought a town lot and built his home in Scottdale where he lived afterward, being a tinner by trade. His health failed him and he contracted a severe cold which resulted in asthma that made his life a burden and his physical body a wreck. He struggled hard to live above the trials of life in the sunlight of Christian hope, and passed away May 4, 1926.

Sarah Brillhart was married to Arthur Leasure June 20, 1926.

Minerva May Brillhart

Minerva May Brillhart, a daughter of John A. and Mary Hummel Brillhart, and a granddaughter of Jacob and Mary Braughler Brillhart, was born Dec. 12, 1885, at Rockton, Pa., where she spent her school years.

After her parents had moved to Masontown, Pa., she became acquainted with and married J. Elmer Johnson. Later in life, Mr. Johnson became a leading hardware man of that town and still later a coal operator. They are blessed with five children: Ruth, Clyde, Esther, David, and Catherine. While yet young in years, prosperity seems to crown their labors.

Aaron, Sarah, David Brillhart and Ruth Johnson

Emma Jane Brillhart

Emma Jane Brillhart, a daughter of John A. and Mary Hummel Brillhart and a granddanghter of Jacob and Mary Brillhart, was born on the farm at Rockton, Pa. She acquired a part of her common school education in Rockton and Port Treverton, also in Masontown and Scottdale.

She later entered service in the Mennonite Publishing House at Scottdale, Pa., where she continued seven years, always much interested in Bible study and Sunday school work. She completed a course of Bible study. Her life has been full of sunshine, but later her mental condition became affected.

Frank J. Brillhart

Frank J. Brillhart, a son of John and Mary Hummel Brillhart, a grandson of Jacob and Mary Brillhart, was born in Rockton, Pa., Aug. 25, 1890. His common school days were spent in various places, Rockton, Port Treverton, and Masontown. He then took up work with his brother in Scottdale in the plumbing, roofing, and heating business. He later went to the Coyne National Trade School at Chicago. He completed his working trade which he since followed under the employ of his brother in Scottdale. He lives in hope of eternal life, always ready to lend a helping hand to those around him.

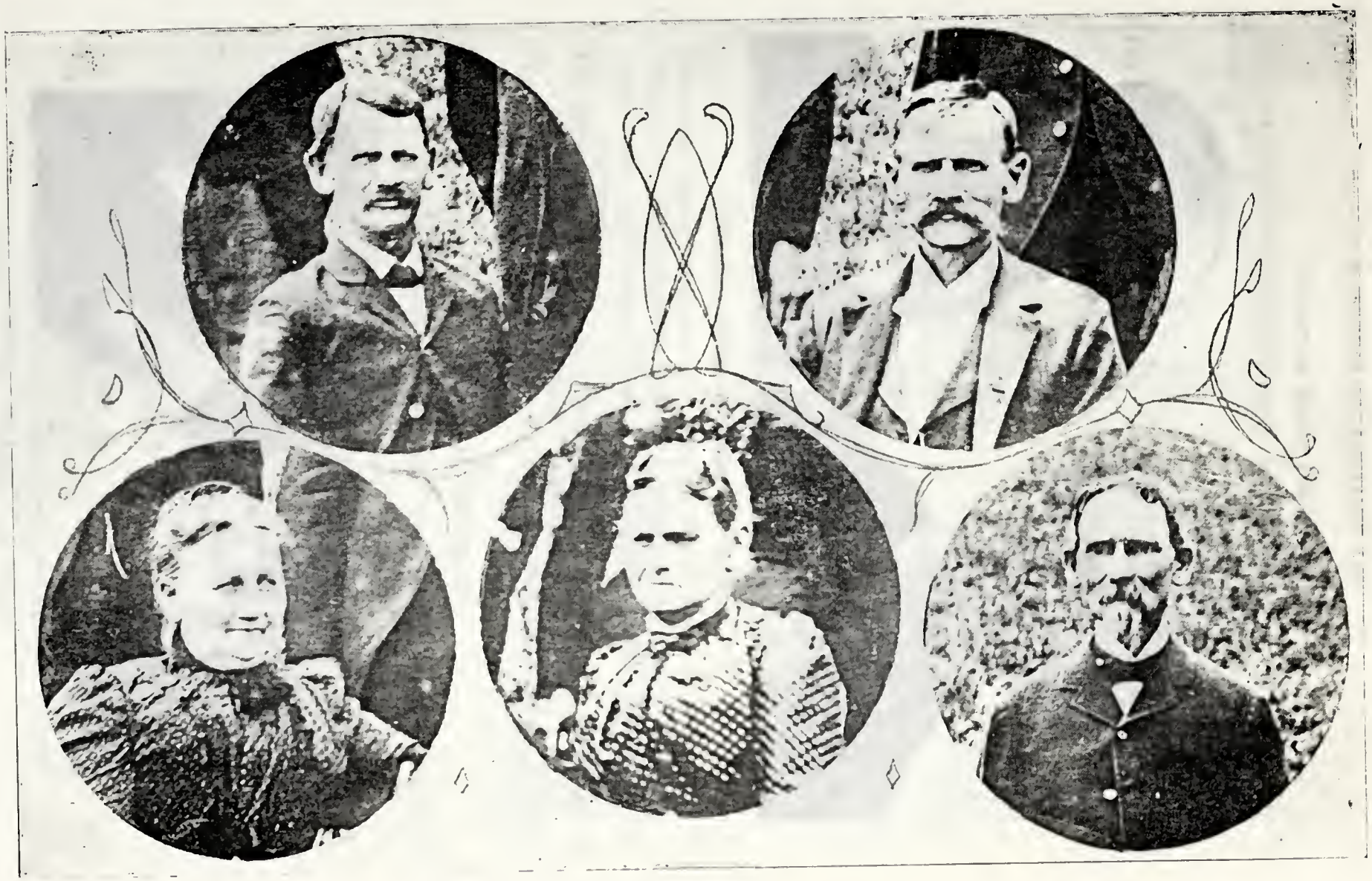
David S. Brillhart

David S. Brillhart, the youngest son of John and Mary Brillhart, was born February 15, 1901, at Scottdale, Pa.

His young years have been spent in common school and day labor, with hopes of a bright future. He has become a man with a good trade and some means.

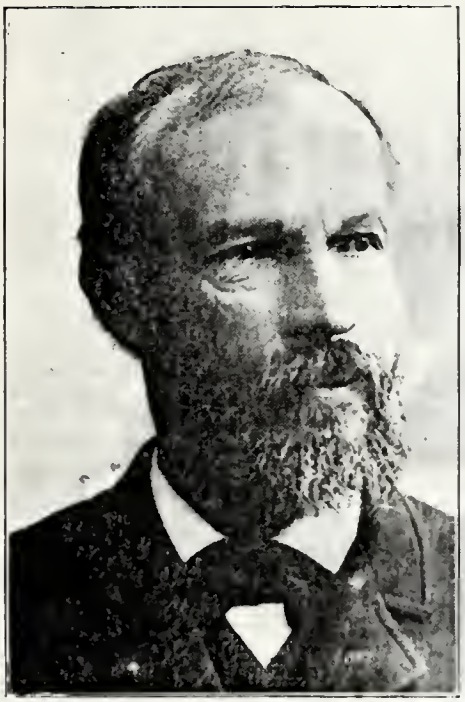
Anna Brillhart Smith

Anna, daughter of John and Catherine Huff Brillhart, was born in Rockingham County, Va., and came with her parents to Georgeville, Indiana County, Pa., where she did her part as one of the family in a pioneer life. After she grew to womanhood she married William Smith and moved on the farm of Mr. Smith's father, now the cite of Allegheny City, a part of Pittsburgh. Later they sold this and moved to Punxsutawney, Pa., on a farm of their own. Their efforts to get started in life meant much hard work and exposure. To them were born five children: Catherine, Samuel, William, Mary, and John. She was a devoted Christian woman though her life was short and filled with much sorrow. Her strength to endure was due to the fact that her life was hid in the embrace of her Redeemer, rejoicing when her spirit took its flight to be with Him.



Children of Annie Brillhart Smith

Catherine Smith Hurlebaus



Catherine Smith Hurlebaus and Husband

Catherine Smith, daughter of Annie Brillhart Smith, was married to Mr. Hurlebaus. They had the following children:

Anna Clara, who married Paul S. A. Bickel in 1888. He is a civil engineer.

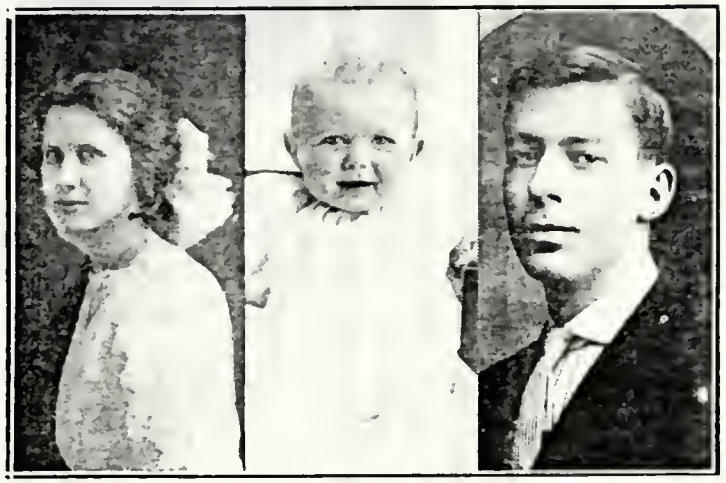
Ida May, who married Rev. Waltz, 1917. Rev. Waltz is pastor of Baptist Church, Spokane, Washington.

Harvey William Hurlebaus, secretary for North Side land project, Jerome, Idaho.

Harvey William Hurlebaus, Sr.

Harvey William Hurlebaus, Sr., was educated in the public school

Harvey William Hurlebaus and Family



Descendants of Catherine Smith Hurlebaus

in Cleveland, Ohio. After graduating from High School, he went to the Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio, and graduated in the class of 1898 with the degree of A. B.

After that he was Secretary of College Y. M. C. A. in 1899. In 1900 to 1905, he did some private tutoring and traveled. In 1905 to 1907, he was in business in New York. Since then he has been connected with many concerns, seemingly making a success of his life.

He was married July 28, 1916, to Rignor Constance Hanse. To this union one boy was born, Harvey William Hurlebaus, Jr., born May 6, 1918.

Samuel Smith

Samuel Smith, the second child of Wm. and Anna Brillhart Smith, was first married to Elizabeth Straitiff. To them were born three children: N. B. Smith, H. H. Smith, and S. S. Smith who are all dead.

His second wife was Rebecca McCrock. Their children were: H. S. Smith, dead; W. J. Smith, Euclid, Pa., Butler County; F. J. Smith, Punxsutawney, Pa., Greenwood Ave., 602; E. S. Smith, Walston, Pa., R. D. 1; Mrs. Anna M. Dilts, 1210 Ferry Ave., Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Mary C. Long, Punxsutawney, Pa., R. D. 3. These children were all born on the same farm and in the same house on the Homestead in Oliver Township.

Samuel Smith was born in Young Township, his first wife in McCalmont Township and Mrs. S. S. Smith in Bell Township, Jefferson County.

John E. Smith

John E. Smith, son of Annie Brillhart Smith, born in Punxsutawney, Pa., Oct. 24, 1852, married Ella Barnett Oct. 20, 1881; died Apr. 7, 1914. Ella Barnett was born at Punxsutawney, Pa., May 17, 1862. To this union the following children were born:

Joseph Milton Smith, born Walston, Pa., Aug. 30, 1883.
Horace A. Smith, born Walston, Pa., Dec. 25, 1884.
Fanny M. Smith, born Grange, Pa. Mar. 22, 1886.
Laura M. Smith, born Aug. 20, 1887.

John Smith and Family

Anna D. Smith, born Dec. 16, 1888.
Frederick L. Smith, born Apr. 4, 1890.
Emma L. Smith, born Dec. 5, 1892.

Elias Smith, born Mar. 22, 1893.
Marion L. Smith, born Nov. 24, 1897.
Russell E. Smith, born Oct. 29, 1899; died Feb. 3, 1902.
Otto A. Smith, born Mar. 8, 1902.

William Smith, son of Annie Brillhart Smith, was married to ———. He had three boys: John, Lester, and Walter.

Mary Smith, daughter of Annie Brillhart Smith, was married to George Hartsfelt. To them were born six children: Anna, Elizabeth, Bertha, Lula, Minnie, and William.

Catherine Brillhart Althouse

Catherine Brillhart, daughter of John and Catherine Huff Brillhart, was born in Rockingham Co., Va., and came with her parents when they moved to Georgeville, Indiana Co., Pa. She was married to John Althouse, a Presbyterian minister. Little is known about them, but we have a record of three children: Jacob, Elizabeth, and Henry.

Samuel Brillhart

Samuel Brillhart, a son of John and Catherine Huff Brillhart, a grandson of John and Susanna Deordorf Brillhart, was born in 1805 in Rockingham County, Virginia.

He came to Indiana County, Pa., with his father when he was a young lad. He mostly worked away from home after he was old enough to earn wages.

In 1840, while working in Clearfield County, Pa., he met with a lady, Miss Elizabeth Breth, and soon was married.

He bought a piece of land in the woods a short distance from the headwaters of the Susquehanna River, near a place that since is known as Cherry Tree in Indiana County, Pa. They built one of the old historic log houses with two rooms, one above the other, only one door, and a big log fireplace at one end. Cracks were stopped shut with blocks of wood and daubed with mud. They had the ancient crane to swing their kettles and pots over the fire and cook their pottage.

There were nine children born to this union, one dying in infancy. After they had labored hard and saved some earnings, he built a large nine-room house which furnished them a commodious home dwelling.

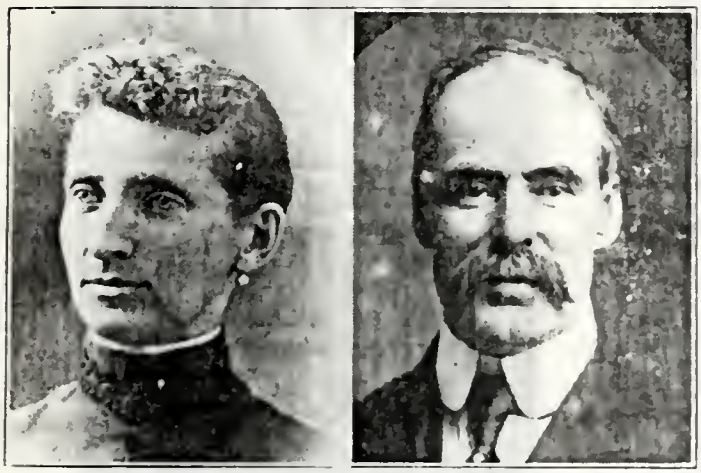
He was a man devoted to his religious faith. He dorated ground off his farm for a church and burial ground. Through their untiring efforts and much sacrifice on their part, a church was erected and dedicated to the Evangelical Association as the Zion Church. Their home was a favorite resort for the circuit rider; here he was always tendered a warm welcome and found congenial friends.

The old Samuel Brillhart Farm near Cherry Tree is now in possession

of the third generation. Samuel had a warm, open Christian heart, soothed the weary, fed the hungry, and encouraged many on their Christian journeys. He passed away 1871 with a bright hope of eternal life beyond.

Carrie Brillhart Ayres

Carrie Brillhart, a daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Breth Brillhart, a granddaughter of John and Catherine Huff Brillhart, was born on the old farm at Cherry Tree, Indiana Co., Pa., in 1855. She acquired a common school education and was much devoted to the wishes of her parents. In the year of 1879, Sept. 23, she was united in marriage to B. L. Ayres at the home of her sister Mrs. Harvey, at Lock Haven, Pa., by Rev. Charles S. Long.



B. L. and Carrie Brillhart Ayres

They came direct to Massilon, Ohio, where her husband was employed. Three years later they bought a property in the village of Richville, four miles southeast of Massilon in beautiful Stark Co., where Mr. Ayres engaged in carriage painting and repairing, in connection with a general blacksmith shop.

They have never had any children and are now on the shady side of the hill where the parting rays of the sunset linger.

Mary C. Brillhart

Mary C. Brillhart, daughter of Samuel Brillhart and Lizzie Breth, married Joseph McKague and to them the following children were born:

Josephine Stamm, 66 N. Euclid Ave., Bellevue, Pa., born Oct. 28, 1859.

Herbert S. McKague, 1210 Second Ave., Altoona, Pa., born April 21, 1863, machinist.

Minnie G., married J. Robert Taylor, March 8, 1897, and they live at Hawkinsville, Georgia. They have no children.

E. E. Brillhart

E. E. Brillhart, son of Samuel and Elizabeth Brillhart, was born near

Cherry Tree, Indiana Co., Pa. His life was spent working in the pine and hemlock timber—cutting, peeling, skidding, sliding and then rafting the huge timber into the headwaters of the Susquehanna River. Large quantities of timber were hewn square and pinned together in rafts to be floated to the southeastern market. During his active days they cut many spar trees from 100 to 115 feet long and straight as a line. These brought very high prices in the shipbuilding market. To move these huge timbers from the woods to the River as many as 10 and 12 two-horse teams, hitched on a long chain, were required. It was a wonderful sight to see so many teams all lined up and pulling together and then see the large timbers slowly coming out of the brush, with the men yelling in glee. A life among the heavy timber cannot be described. Only a generation of its kind could move the mighty timber to the market. He married Miss Shrecongas and to them were born six children: Mildred, Edwin, Stanley, Leo, and James. They are among the leading citizens of the borough of Cherry Tree, Indiana County, Pa.

E. E. Brillhart and Wife

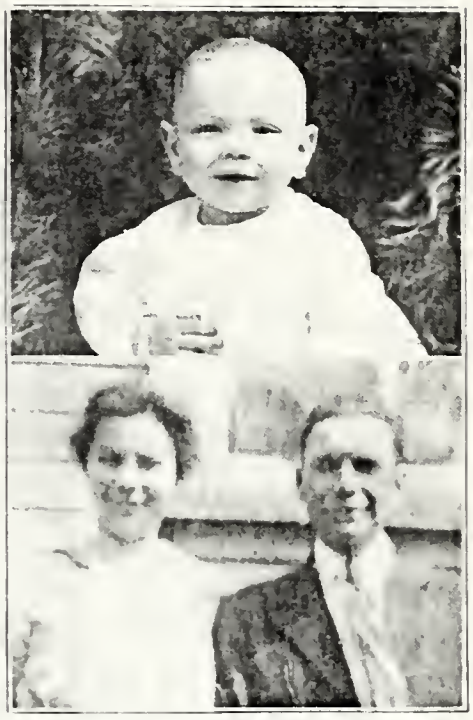
Edwin Roy Brillhart, son of E. E. Brillhart, has four children: Florence, Gertrude, Virginia, and John.

Dean Stanley Brillhart, son of E. E. Brillhart, is married and lives at Cherry Tree and has one boy, born Dec. 30, 1916. He is assistant agent for the P. R. R. and N. Y. C. Railroad Co.

Edwin R. Brillhart and Family

Leo Harrison, son of E. E. Brillhart, is married and has no children. He lives in Johnstown, Pa.

L. H. Brillhart and Wife



D. S. Brillhart and Family

Aaron C. Brillhart

Aaron C. Brillhart (dead) was a son of Samuel and Elizabeth Brillhart. He lived on a farm two miles north of Cherry Tree and died after being an invalid for 25 years. He had six children, Mary, Simon, Wayne (dead), John Bryan (dead), married but had no children, Cecil (an invalid), Dudley, single, Mary Grace (dead), married to Fred Scharz, who lives in E. Pittsburgh. They had one little girl.

James A. Brillhart

James A. Brillhart, son of Edwin E. and grandson of Samuel and Elizabeth Brillhart, was born at Cherry Tree, Indiana County, Pa., on June 25, 1893, the youngest son of Edwin E. and Nancy Brillhart.

At the age of 16 years, he finished his common school branches. He selected for his life's vocation, railway telegraphy. He soon found his efforts a success and was gradually shifted from one station to another. As he advanced his responsibility increased. After some years of work his health seemed to give way to asthmatic troubles so he decided to change his climate, going north into Canada. He first took up his work at Valleyfield, Quebec, in June, 1912; he then went to Farnham, Quebec, Aug. 24, 1912, where he worked as operator until March, 1913, when he was promoted to train dispatcher.

In January, 1914, he met Miss Mary H. Peabody whom he married on Sept. 25, 1915, and to this union one child was born.

Martha Brillhart

Martha Brillhart, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Brillhart, was born March 4, 1848, and lives at Dixonville, Indiana Co., Pa. She was married twice. Her first husband was J. I. Buchanan, who left one daughter, Laura. She was married five years later to John Donahey. They have one child, Smith.

Marie Brillhart Harvey

Marie Harvey was a daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Brillhart. She was born March 27, 1853, near Cherry Tree, Pa.

On Dec. 15, 1870, she married William Richard Harvey, Lock Haven, Pa. To this union four children were born, two girls and two boys. Mr. Harvey died Dec. 25, 1891.

Emma May, the oldest, was born Jan. 26, 1872; Chas. B., Sept. 28, 1874; Carrie E., March 28, 1877; Frank E., July 25, 1883.

Emma married E. J. Fox and they have five children, four boys and one girl, one boy and little girl having died. Charles B., married Carrie Forshl and they have three children, two boys and one girl. Carrie E. married G. B. Eldred and they have two children, one boy and one girl. Frank E. married Minnie Poorman and they have two children, both boys.

John C. Brillhart

John C. Brillhart, a son of John and Catherine Huff Brillhart, a grandson of John and Susanna Deordorf Brillhart, was born in Rockingham County, Va., and when quite young was brought by his parents to Indiana County, Pa., where he began his early work in life.

Jane Hall Brilihart, Wife of John C. Brillhart

He was a mild and kind-tempered man and was a friend to many of his people around him. He was a fine singer and the melody of his voice was inspiring to all.

In the year 1840, he united in wedlock with Miss Jane Hall of near Georgeville, Indiana Co., Pa. In about 1844, he and his little family, with the household goods—all snugly packed on a wagon, started West to find a better home. He landed in Coshocton Co., Ohio. As he slowly

moved West in his canvas-covered wagon, he was eager for directions to take him to his uncle, Samuel. His money ran short and he pawned his gun for enough money to finish his trip. He landed safely at the home of his uncle and they lived in the same house that year. The following spring, he bought a farm adjoining that of his uncle.

Children of John C. Brillhart

His uncle, Samuel, had a son named John, and for a distinction, John put the letter C in his name and Uncle Samuel's John added the letter F so from that on they were always known as John F. and John C. The letter F stood for farmer, and the letter C stood for carpenter.

He borrowed some money from his uncle to go back and redeem his gun that he had pawned to get money to get through. With much zeal and energy he began to clear off his new farm and build a little home. He succeeded in his efforts and soon became a prominent man.

To them the following children were born:

Delilah Brillhart, born 1842, Coshocton, Ohio, housekeeper.
Martha Brillhart, born 1843, Nampa, Idaho, housekeeper.
Samuel C. Brillhart, born 1846, Pasadena, Cal.
Mary J. Brillhart, born 1848, Warsaw, Ohio.
John E. Brillhart, died 1916.
Hamilton Brillhart, died 1867.
Angeline Brillhart, died 1918. She was married to Mr. Severn.
J. M. Brillhart, born 1857, Newark, Ohio, engineer.
Uriah G. Brillhart, born 1859; died 1924.

Delilah Brillhart McCoy

Delilah Brillhart, son of John C. and Jane Brillhart, was married to Corwin McCoy. They had three children: Ettie Irene, Clifford, and Iva. They lived in Coshocton, Ohio. Clifford McKoy was an editor and manufacturer in Coshocton. He died May 11, 1919. "His life in every part of it, in every minute of it, was one of service. He rounded it out full well though he had hoped, as we had hoped, that he might be permitted to do more. But in going he would wish that, in the words of his favorite poet,

> 'There may be no sadness of farewell
> When I embark.'

Corwin and Delilah Brillhart McCoy and Children

He would rather that we be happy in the thought of what he has meant to us in our private and public life."

Martha Brillhart Emerson

Martha B. Emerson, second daughter of John C. and Jane Hall Brillhart, a granddaughter of John and Catherine Huff Brillhart, was born in Indiana County, Pa., April 17, 1843.

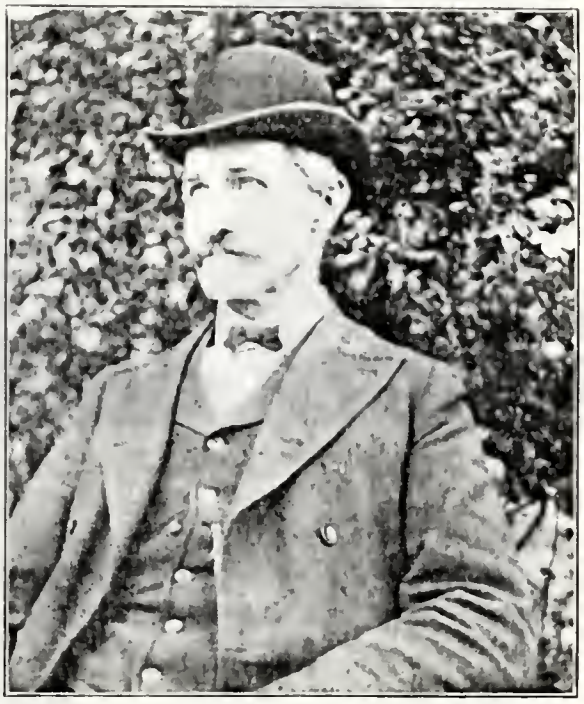
In early childhood, she was taken by her parents to Coshocton County, Ohio, where she was reared and educated. She was married to James M. Emerson, Sept. 5, 1865. To this union four children were born. She moved with him to Emporia, Kansas, in 1870 and then to Moscow, Idaho, in 1882. Her husband died on March 11, 1900.

She then moved to Nampa, Idaho, in 1907 where she has since resided. She has all through life been a devoted Christian mother, carefully instructing her children in all good, and duly warning them against all evil. Her Christian influence has had its weight among her many friends and neighbors. Her careful management and executive qualities have been a great help to get her children an education and prepared for business life. Her four children follow. Carrie E. Emerson married George Nelley. To them were born Paul and Emerson. Eugene Emerson married Miss Bager, and their children are James C. and Earl W. Arsella E. Emerson married O. Roberts and they had one child, Wayne A. Edgar D. Emerson married Odessa Roberts.

Martha Brillhart Emerson

Her children have all been close to her heart and now with the expression of Proverbs 31:10-31 they can "arise up, and call her blessed."

Samuel Clayton Brillhart



Milton Brillhart

Samuel Clayton Brillhart married Emeline McCoy Jan. 2, 1870. Their children are as follows:

Four Generations: Martha Drake Brillhart, her daughter, Mrs. Milton Brillhart, Granddaughter, and Great-granddaughter

Charles Homer, born 1870, Hutchinson, Kans., teacher.

Bessie Corena, born 1873, Hutchinson, Kans., teacher, died 1902.

Mary May, born 1875, Howard, Kans., domestic.

Clifford Leroy, born 1889; died 1913.

J. Milton Brillhart married Mary Brillhart. They have one child, Lena. He moved to St. Petersburg, Fla., for his health. He is engaged in poultry raising and truck farming.

Mary Brillhart, daughter of John C., and Jane Brillhart, was married to Cyrus Shannon. They had two children, Herbert and Edna. They lived at Coshocton, O.

John E. Brillhart, a son of John C. Brillhart and Jane Hall, married Artensia Winslow and to this union the following children were born:

Ward Brillhart, born 1889, Newark, Ohio, salesman.
Roger Brillhart, born 1876; died 1877.
Ennes Brillhart, Newark, Ohio.

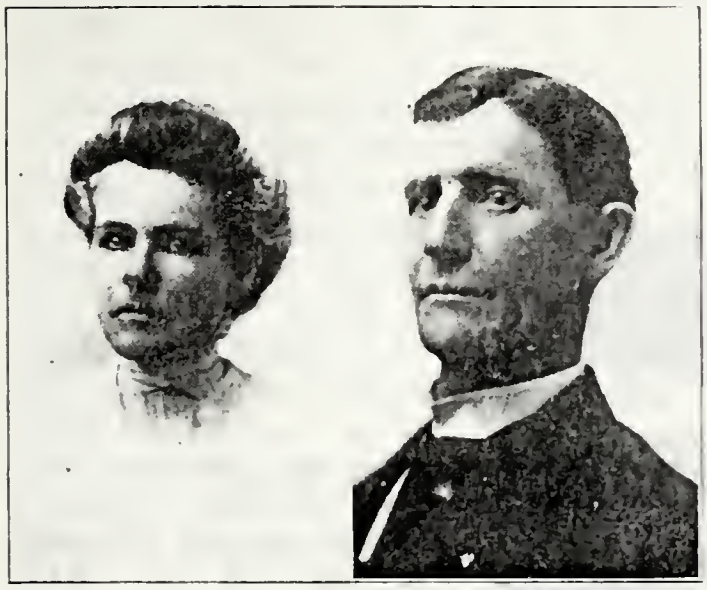
Cyrus and Mary Brillhart Shannon and Family

Ward Brillhart was married to Edna Dawson. To them one son was born, John Edward.

Ennes Brillhart married Hugh Ellis, in 1899 and they live at Newark, Ohio. To this union the following children were born:

Cornelia A. Ellis, born 1900. Newark, Ohio, student.
Gertrude Ellis, born 1901; died 1901.

Uriah G. Brillhart, son of John C., and Jane Brillhart, was married to Ida Severn. They had four children: Edward, Emerson, Ethel, and Helen.



U. G. Brillhart and Wife

Lewis Brillhart

Lewis Brillhart was born on the old home farm in Indiana Co., Pa., in 1819, a son of John and Catherine Huff Brillhart, a grandson of John and Susan Deordorf Brillhart.

His young years were taken up by working for strangers and giving his earnings to his parents until he reached the age when he went for himself.

He married Margaret Hall and to this union ten children were born. His first attempt to get a home resulted in buying a farm and later losing all his claim. Later he took courage again to try and get a home of his own, so he bought eighty acres. He cleared off a small spot and built a very rude log house, in which he lived for a number of years. He was a successful farmer. One of his methods was to plant 10 to 20 acres of

Children of U. G. Brillhart

Lewis and Margaret Hall Brillhart

corn each year, and as soon as the corn was up one of his boys and the old family horse entered the field cultivating first one way and then the other. In this way they kept the old horse on the go until the corn was too high to work. He was a good hunter and trapper and managed to make his payments on the land by selling furs. As he cleared his ground, he began to raise horses for sale. In 1872, he built a large house on the farm which had many modern improvements. He kept many colonies of bees from which he sold much honey.

Albert Brillhart (Right of Picture)

He experienced a sad shock when five of his children were taken from his home by diphtheria. This appealed to his conviction and he united with the Presbyterian Church and finished his life in hope. His remains rest with his wife in the old Gilgal Cemetery 20 miles north of Indiana, Pa.

The following children were born to them: George, John, James, Mary Jane, Martha Jane, Maggie, all of whom are dead.

Samuel, born 1860, Marion Center, Pa., farmer.
William W., born 1862, Indiana, Pa., carpenter.
Milton, born 1864, Marion Center, Pa., farmer.
Albert, born 1866, Marion Center, Pa., barber.

Samuel Brillhart

Samuel, son of Lewis and Margaret Hall Brillhart, was born on the old home farm near the old Enterline Mill. He was of a quiet disposition and was a dependable help to his father on the farm. After he grew to manhood he married Miss Ida Miliron and to them were born eight children:

Jacob L., married Bessie Sherry. Their children: G. LaRue, Betty J., James R.

Wilbert R. married Miss Roxie M. Good. Their children: M. Louise. Billy S.

Mabel F. married Carl Morehead. Their children: Samuel D., Anna Mae., Berneda.

Hazel married Harry Stineman. One child, C. LeRoy.

Millie R., married Max Good. Two children: Helen L., Lysle M.

Pansy B. married William Johnson. One child, Hazel.

Miles A., single at home.

Miss I. Marie, at home.

Samuel Brillhart and Family

After marriage he bought a farm on which he and his wife labored and cleared the land and raised their family. Since he has bought some adjoining farms and has accumulated some wealth through hard work and good management.

Jacob Brillhart

Jacob Brillhart was born in Georgeville, Nov. 5, 1890. He is a son of Samuel and Ida Miliron Brillhart, and grandson of Lewis Brillhart.

His early days were spent near Hammel store. He went to Marion Center Select school, then to Indiana Normal, and later to Dubois Business College and thus acquired an education. He was a successful teacher in our common schools for a number of years.

At the age of 26 years in 1916 he met Bessie Sherry and they were united in marriage. To them were born three children: Gladys LaRue, Betty J., and James R. They lived near Punxsutawney, Pa., for some time, then moved to Dixonville, Pa., where he is a clerk in the Dixonville bank.

William W. Brillhart

William W. Brillhart, son of Lewis and Margaret Hall Brillhart, was born in 1862 on a farm near Georgeville, Pa. He acquired his education in the common school. He was naturally gifted and quick in perception. He held many township offices such as school director, road supervisor, justice of the peace, health officer, etc. His life was one of service to his fellowmen. He always did what he could to save and protect the tax-payers so that their money would not be wasted. He visited each school in his township and often had to line up some of the bigger boys or expel them from school. Another trait that he had was that of helping his neighbors when their stock was sick, and he was called far and wide. He was a useful man every day in some way. He had a nice little farm and kept nice horses, and always responded when called upon to give help or to go for a doctor. He married Margaret Moot of Marchand, Pa., in 1885, and they raised a family of seven children. She took her rightful

W. W. Brillhart and Family

place in the home and did her part to make every one happy, always willing to lend a helping hand.

The following children were born to them:

John, born 1887, Homer City, Pa., grocer, married to Martha Corson, 1917, two children, Pauline and John.
Blaine, born 1889, Cleveland, Ohio, ticket agent, married to Maud Cole.
Minta, born 1892, Indiana, Pa., married to Lloyd Carnathan, six children: Clifford, Edward, Lauretta, Helen, Sarah, Annabelle.

Lloyd and Mintie Brillhart Carnathan and Family

Charles Perkins and Family

Elizabeth, born 1895, Indiana, Pa., married to Charles Perkins: Two children, Margaret and Charlotte.
Mary, born 1897, Indiana, Pa., operator.
William A., born 1899, Homer City, Pa., laborer.
Henrietta, born 1903, Indiana, Pa., housekeeper.
Mac, born 1906, Indiana, Pa., teacher.

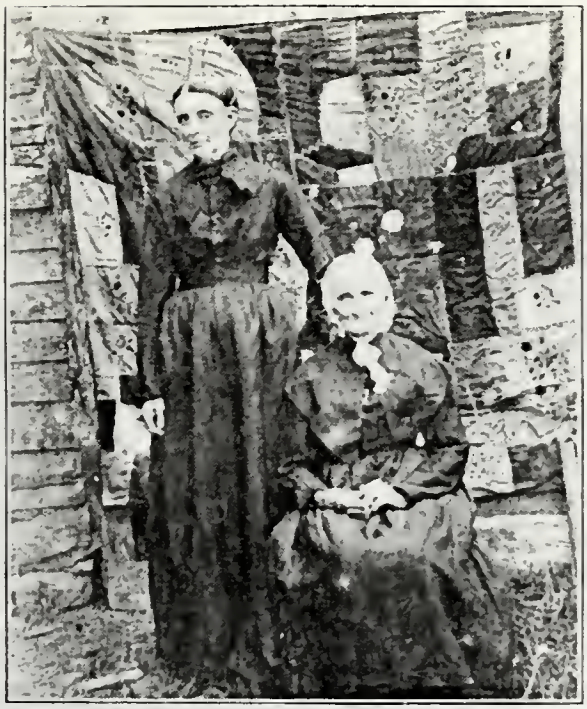
Daniel Brillhart

Daniel Brillhart, a son of John and Susan Deordorf Brillhart, was born May 16, 1789, in York Co., Pa.

He was taken to Rockingham Co., Virginia, with his parents in 1797. He helped his father clear and improve their home farm. He labored hard daily and under many difficulties, being deprived of many school privileges, yet he learned the trades of blacksmith and carpenter from his father. He soon became a prominent and efficient workman and a useful young man in the vicinity.

At the age of 20 years, he became acquainted and loved a young lady by the name of Catherine Shultz. In the year 1812, they united in matrimony by the lawful consent of both of their parents. To this union there were born five sons: Abraham, Samuel, Daniel, Adam, and Henry H.

He and his wife, filled with energy, began to look around for a future home. He bought a tract of timber land of 500 acres in the Catawba Valley, Va. There through hard toil and good management they cleared and paid for the land.



Harriet Brillhart Huffman and Daughter Catherine

Abraham Brillhart

Abraham Brillhart, son of Daniel and Catherine Shultz Brillhart, a grandson of John and Susan Deordorf Brillhart, was born April 25, 1817, at Catawba, Va., Roanoke County. He was married to Harriet Huffman, May 21, 1845. Unto them were born nine children, namely: Catherine, Hannah, Dianna, Henry, Mary Ann, John, Allen, Jennie, and Harvey.

Abraham was not in the Civil War. He was to enter the war in a short time but died July 21, 1862, leaving the nine children in care of his widow.

Catherine, the oldest, never married and is still living at her mother's old home with her brother Henry and family. She helped her mother to raise her brothers and sisters and was always with her in time of need. She is a noble Christian woman, one whom all dearly love to be with.

Mark and Hannah Brillhart Sower

Hannah was married to Mark Sarver, a farmer. Unto them were born eight children; namely, Ida, Samuel, Sallie, Zella, Dora, Harvey, Hattie, and Mark.

Dianna, the next child of Abraham B., was married to Cephus Cald-

Dianna Brillhart Caldwell

Wm. A. All and Wife

well. Unto them were born four children; namely, Ballard, William, Berry, and Rose Etta.

Ballard Caldwell, born Sept. 7, 1868, was married to Josie Echols.

William, born May 25, 1870, was married to Miss Nannie Hughes (no children).

Berry, born Mar. 3, 1872, was never married.

Rose Etta, born Dec. 1, 1874, married Wilburn Smith. They have five children: Gladys, Jimmy, Daisy, Goldie and Nannie.

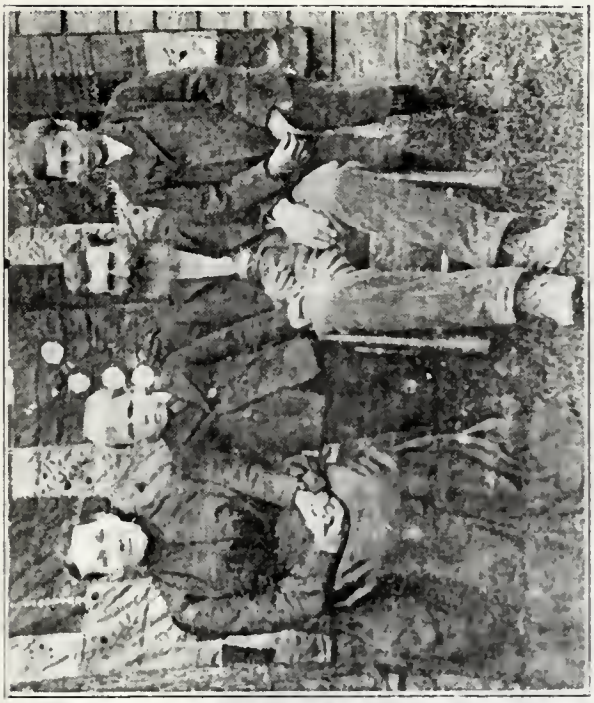
Henry Brillhart, fourth child of Abraham, was married to Sarah Frances Beard. Unto them were born two children, Roy and Ivan, both at home and single.

Mary Anna, fifth child of Abraham, was married to James All. Unto them were born four children, namely, William, Albert, Otey, Cora, and Harry Ross.

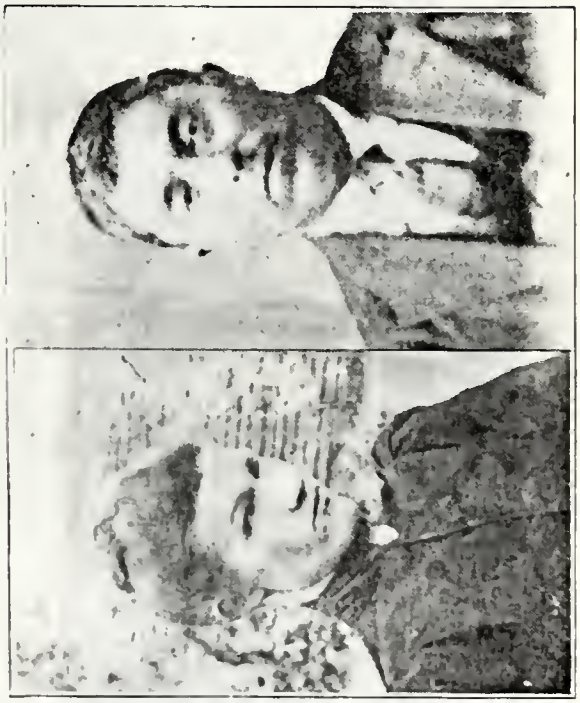
William Albert married Lou Emma All. Unto them were born three children: Rushia, Nelson, and Amy. Rushia is married to Edwin Myers. Nelson and Amy are at home with their parents.

Otey, second child of James All, was married to Anna Sarver. Unto them were born three children: Walter, Bertha, Martha.

Cora, third child of James All, married Festus Damewood. Unto them were born two children, one who is dead, and Mary.



Henry Brillhart and Family



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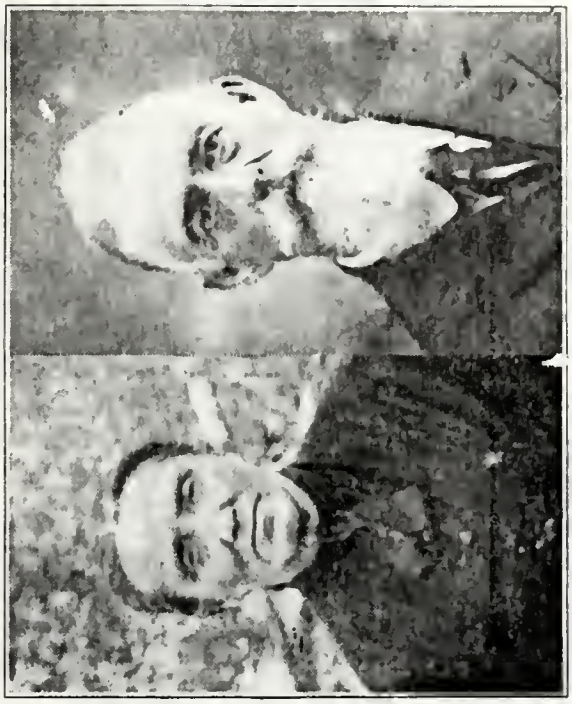


James and Mary Brillhart All

Festus and Cora All Damewood and Child

Harry Ross, fourth child of James All, was married to Jessie Smith. Unto them was born one child, Sadie.

John, sixth child of Abraham, was married to Mildred King. Unto them were born eight children: Lloyd, Bertha, Lessie, Arlie, Laura,

Harry R. All and Wife

Bertha Brillhart Brugh

Albert, Gertrude and Frank. John B. died March 15, 1908.

Lloyd, born Mar. 5, 1888, married Annie Stafford, Dec. 26, 1912. They have two children living: Frances and John. Lloyd is a traveling salesman.

Bertha, born June 5, 1890, was married to Robert Brugh, Nov 26, 1913. Mr. Brugh just lived eleven months after he was married.

Arlie Brillhart's General Store, Troutville, Va.

Lessie, born June 28, 1892, was married to Walter Dove, May 17, 1914. Unto them was born one child, Howard.

Arlie, born Feb. 28, 1894, was married to Lelia Mumaw, Aug. 5, 1916. Unto them was born one child. Arlie is a merchant at Troutville, Virginia, where he conducts a general store.

Laura, born July 6, 1896, single, is at home with her mother.

Albert, born July 8, 1898, was in the navy during the war.

Gertrude, born July 4, 1900, is at home and also Frank. Frank was born Oct. 6, 1902.

Allen, the seventh child of Abraham, was married to Sarah Elizabeth Brillhart (daughter of Adam). Unto them were born seventeen children; namely, Zora, Eleazer, David, Della, Samuel, Suel, (one dead), Paris, Mirtie, Nora, Pernie, Marvin, Edith and Edna (twins), Hubert, Theo, and Carey.

Zora married B. F. Brillhart, Olympia, Wash.

Arlie Brillhart and Wife

Eleazer was married to Susie Brizentine. Unto them were born three children: Kathleen, Virgie, and William.

Allen and Elizabeth Brillhart

Samuel Brillhart

David is single. He works at saw mill most of the time, filing saws.

Della was married to Harvey Hall. Unto them was born one child, Hazel.

Samuel was in the army during the war.

Suel and Paris, at home.

Mirtie was married to James Hall (no children).

Pernie was married to Frank Eakin. Unto them was born one child, Marie.

Marvin, Nora, Edna, Edith, Hubert, Theo and Cary are at home.

Jennie Brillhart, eighth child of Abraham, was married to George Shepherd. Unto them were born five children: Lillie, Clarence, Mamie, Amanda and Raymond.

Lillie was married to Joseph All. Unto them were born four children, namely, Holbert Leo (dead), Vernie, Lee, Welford, Lester, and Nellie Florence.

Clarence was married to Mrs. Lelia Brunk (no children).

Mamie was married to Hearse Creasy. Unto them was born one child, Berneda Kate.

Amanda was married to Luther Barker. Unto them were born two children: Haven Leslie, and Donald Leo.

Raymond is dead. He died Oct., 1917.

Harvey Brillhart, ninth child of Abraham, was married to Belle Gallion. Unto them were born three children: Ernest, Bessie and Clyde.

Harvey Brillhart and Family

Ernest was married to Addie Brookman. No children.

Bessie was married to Arthur Sarver. They have four children: Dorothy, Lucile, Pearl, and Leo.

Harvey is dead, so Clyde lives with his mother at the old home.

Samuel Brillhart

Samuel Brillhart, born May, 1814, was a son of Daniel and Catherine Shultz Brillhart. In the year 1841 he was married to Miss Diannah Stautamyre of near Salem, Va. Afterwards, he bought a farm of 500 acres at Catawba, Roanoke Co., Va. He was a thrifty farmer raising large quantities of wheat and corn and had much live stock, horses, cattle, sheep and hogs. After a few years, he took rheumatism and was unable to work, but he was able for several years to go around riding horseback over his farm and looking after it. He was confined to his bed a helpless cripple for about 8 years but was always bright and cheerful and saw that the farm work was carried on. He was honest and upright in his dealings with his fellowmen. To this union were born seven children. The eldest, a son, died in infancy.

Diannah, Wife of Samuel Brillhart

Catherine, born April 26, 1844.
Lena, born Feb. 8, 1846.
Sarah, born March 27, 1848.
Berryman, born May 13, 1850.
Mary Anna, born Nov. 20, 1852; died Nov. 28, 1862.
Samuel, born June 26, 1855; died Jan. 5, 1867.
Diannah Brillhart died June 15, 1890.

Catherine Brillhart Crawford

Catherine Brillhart Crawford

Catherine M. Brillhart was born in Roanoke County, Va., April 26, 1844. She was a daughter of Samuel and Diannah Brillhart. Living on the farm with her parents she learned to be an up-to-date farm girl in that day and time. Being the oldest of the children she helped to make the clothing from flax. When thirty years

of age she became the bride of William M. Crawford. Mr. Crawford was born in Lynchburg and we have no date of his birth.

William Crawford and wife bought and moved on a farm near her parents and to them two children were born. Samuel Crawford was born June 22, 1875, and on September 4, 1877, Mattie D. Crawford was born. Mr. Crawford was very low with consumption for some time and died January 15, 1878.

Catherine M. Crawford moved back to her parents and on July 7, 1883, death claimed her only son. She and her little daughter, Mattie, moved in a new dwelling they had built on her own farm. She rented her land to tenants for their support. She was the largest of the sisters, weighing over two hundred pounds. About that time her eyesight became very bad and later she went blind.

C. L. and Mattie Crawford Custer

Mattie, the daughter of Catherine Crawford on Oct. 3, 1894, was married to Channing L. Custer and lived with her mother until her death on Nov. 30, 1897. To Channing L. and Mattie D. Custer, there were five children born: Arnold Custer, born Aug. 17, 1896; Violet M., born Dec. 30, 1898; Guy W., born May 30, 1901; Bertha V. Custer, born Sept. 21, 1909, and departed this life March 29, 1910; Thelma Marie Custer, born March 2, 1911.

In 1911 Mattie D. Custer succumbed to some form of rheumatism which rendered her a helpless invalid; in spite of the best medical treatment her condition grew quite unfavorable.

Channing L. Custer, born Feb. 21, 1875, in Craig County, Va., was a son of Joel G. Custer, relative of Gen. George Custer, the great Indian fighter.

Lena Brillhart Grisso

Lena Brillhart, a daughter of Samuel and Diannah Brillhart, was born in Roanoke County, Va., on February 8, 1846. November 2, 1865, she was united in mariage to Jacob Grisso at Bristol, Tenn. They made their home with her husband's father in Montgomery County, Va., for one year after their marriage. Then they moved to Cave Spring, Va., and

from there to Franklin County, Va., where he was employed in farming. After a number of years he moved back to Roanoke County, Va., and built a home there. They were faithful members of the Church of the Brethren, he being a preacher in that church for more than 40 years. They spent the rest of their life at their home in Catawba, Va., Roanoke County.

Jacob and Lena Brillhart Grisso

Her husband departed this life March 25, 1909. She died seven years later, April 20, 1916, after having spent a useful life. She was loved by all who knew her. Five children were born to this union.

Sallie Grisso, born Feb. 19, 1867.
Mary Grisso, born July 24, 1868.
Celestia Grisso, born Dec. 30, 1870.
Daniel Grisso, born Oct. 22, 1872.
Joel P. Grisso, born Dec. 3, 1877.

Sallie Grisso Spessard

Sallie A. Grisso, daughter of Jacob and Lena Grisso, was born in

Michael and Sallie Grisso Spessard

Roanoke County, Va., February 19, 1867. She was united in marriage to Michael Spessard, February 12, 1902. To this union 3 children were born.

Nora Spessard, born Nov. 9, 1902.
Annie Spessard, born Mar. 18, 1905.
Mabel Spessard, born Oct. 21, 1907.

After their marriage they went to her husband's home in the Catawba Valley, Va., Roanoke County, where he owned a nice farm. After a few years of married life he was called from his home and family by death October 14, 1909, he being 48 years old at the time of his death. She and her three daughters are getting along nicely on their farm.

Mary Grisso Garman

Mary C. Grisso, daughter of Lena and Jacob Grisso, was born in Roanoke Co., Va., July 24, 1868. She was married to Samuel P. Garman of Bradshaw, Va., August 19, 1896. To this union four children were born:

Ethel Garman, born Feb. 19, 1898.
Glenna Garman, born Mar. 25, 1899.
Russell Garman, born Nov. 14, 1901.
Lena Garman, born July 28, 1903.

Mary Catherine Grisso and Samuel P. Garman

Since their marriage they have made their home on Mr. Garman's father's farm in Bradshaw, Roanoke County, Virginia.

Celestia Grisso Cameron

Celestia Grisso, daughter of Jacob and Lena Grisso, was born Dec. 30, 1870, in Catawba, Roanoke County, Va. She was united in marriage to J. B. R. Cameron, Oct. 11, 1899. To this union 3 children were born, the oldest, a daughter, dying in infancy. Roy Cameron, was born April 14, 1903; Maurius Cameron, born Jan. 26, 1911.

Her husband has been a teacher in the public schools for a number of years. They also own a nice farm where he and his wife have lived since they were married.

Daniel B. Grisso

Daniel B. Grisso, son of Lena and Jacob Grisso, was born in Roanoke County, Va., April 1, 1872. He was united in marriage to Ruth Bennett

of Catawba, Va. To this union twelve children were born: Pernie, Mary Kate (who died not being two two years old), John, Clyde, Paul, Pearl, Dora, Mabel, Clovis (who died in infancy), Jacob, David, Naornia Ruth.

In 1910 he moved with his large family to Prince William County, Va., where he is engaged in farming and dairying. His present address is Washington, D. C.

D. B. Grisso and Family

Gladys Grisso, born Aug. 7, 1903.
Theo Grisso, Nov. 19, 1906.
Carridon Grisso, born April 9, 1913.

Joel P. Grisso

Joel P. Grisso, youngest son of Lena and Jacob Grisso, was born in Catawba, Roanoke County, Va., Dec. 3, 1877. He spent all his early life with his parents helping them in farming. On Sept. 10, 1902, he was united in marriage to Lillie Starkey. To this union three children were born:

Joel Grisso and Wife

After marriage he kept on in his parents' home to help them in their

last years. After his mother's death in 1916, he bought the home place, a nice farm where he still lives.

Sarah Brillhart Hall

Sarah Brillhart, daughter of Samuel and Diannah Brillhart, was born March 27, 1848, in Roanoke County, Va. She was married to Floyd Hall, Dec. 18, 1869. After their marriage they spent several years at the home of her husband's father, John Hall.

Floyd and Sarah Brillhart Hall

Afterwards they built a home of their own and moved into it in 1875. To this union were born nine children:

Samuel, born Jan. 18, 1871.
Cora, born Nov. 24, 1872; dead.
Infant, born Sept. 8, 1874; died Dec. 23, 1874.
Lena, born Mar. 6, 1876; died Sept. 22, 1892.
Callie, born Feb. 22, 1878; died May 3, 1902.
Levi, born Feb. 22, 1880.
Moten, born Feb. 20, 1882.
Maude, born May 12, 1884.
Mary, born Sept. 12, 1887; dead.

The subject of this sketch was a good Christian lady having been a member of the Brethren Church for a number of years. She was a devoted wife and mother and loved by all who knew her. On July 18, 1909, she died, having been a great sufferer for a number of years. Her husband died on Aug 7, 1914, being 66 years old at the time of his death.

Samuel C. Hall

Samuel C. Hall, oldest son of Floyd and Sarah Hall, was born in Catawba, Roanoke County, Va., on January 19, 1871. He worked on the farm with his parents until he was married. He was united in marriage to Miss Mollie Nusight February 19, 1896. She was of the same neighborhood and was born November 5, 1871.

After a few years he moved with his wife to Botetourt County, Va., in February 17, 1898, and has lived in that county since. He is living near Springwood, Va., on his farm. His address is Springwood, Va.

To this union six children were born as follows:

Zelia, born April 9, 1901.

Mary, born Aug. 30, 1904.
Myrtle, born March 7, 1906.
Laura, born May 20, 1908.
J. Luther, born July 26, 1911.
Ava, born Sept. 16, 1914.

Cora Hall

Cora Hall, eldest daughter of Floyd and Sarah Hall, was born in Roanoke County, Va., November 24, 1872. In young womanhood she was taken with rheumatism which has made her a great sufferer although until the last few years she has been able to be up and about the home helping with the work. She has taken much medicine and tried many doctors but in spite of all medical aid her rheumatism has drawn her hands very much. She has been an invalid for years, but she is always bright and cheerful, hoping that she may yet be restored to health again that she may enjoy life.

Moten and Mary Hall

Moten Hall and Mary Hall were youngest son and daughter of Floyd and Sarah Hall, born in Roanoke County, Va., Moten, born February 22, 1882; Mary, born September 12, 1887. They stayed at the old home place with the invalid sister. They have a nice home and farm.

Maude Hall

Maude Hall, a daughter of Floyd and Sarah Hall, was born in

Maude Hall

Levi Hall

Roanoke County, Va., May 12, 1884. She was for several years a teacher of Roanoke County public schools. She later went to Wichita, Kan., taking training as a nurse. She later became a special nurse in Roanoke, Va.

Levi Hall

Levi Hall, son of Floyd and Sarah Hall, was born February 22, 1880, in Catawba, Roanoke County, Va. He stayed at home until a young man. Afterwards, he began working at different trades but always seemed to have a desire for travel, so in the year of 1909, he enlisted in the U. S. Army Coast Artillery Company. He made two trips to the Philippine Islands, made the first trip 1910, landed back to California in 1912. Then again in 1914 he made another trip to the Islands, returning in July, 1916, to California and from there was called to the "Border" (Laredo, Texas). After a few months he came home from the border and spent a few months at home in quiet and rest out on the U. S. Army reserves.

As soon as war was declared in 1917 he was called back to the army, spending a few months here in the U. S. In August, 1917, he sailed with his regiment for France and was with Battery B., 8th Regt., C. A. C. American Expeditionary Forces, "Somewhere in France." He is now at Staunton, Va., in automobile business.

Berryman Brillhart

Berryman Brillhart, son of Samuel and Diannah Brillhart, was born May 13, 1850, in Roanoke County, Va. In the year of 1880 he was united in marriage to Miss Mary Ellen Spessard. He was a farmer owning a nice farm of 350 acres in the Catawba Valley, Roanoke County, Va.

For a number of years he was afflicted with rheumatism and was unable to do any work but seemed to take an interest in all affairs around about him. He died on August 28, 1913. His wife died on Oct. 28, 1917.

Samuel C. Brillhart

Samuel C. Brillhart, youngest son of Samuel and Diannah Brillhart, was born in Roanoke County, Va., June 26, 1855. He worked on his father's farm until Sept. 4, 1877, when he was united in marriage to Miss Amanda Hall of this county. He left for Texas the day he was married, going to the cotton growing section. After several years he moved with his family up into the northern part of Texas to what is known as Pan Handle. This being a great grazing country he raised a number of horses and cattle each year. He owned eight sections of land (640 acres to a section). Eight children were born to this union: Luther, was the oldest son. Dona, the oldest daughter, married a Mr. Price. She has one son, Floyd Porter Price. Ethel married a Mr. Cutter. They live in Oregon. Grover married a Miss Mary Cropper of Texas. They have five children.

Saint married a Miss Carter of Ochiltree, Texas. Herbert married a Miss Bowen of Texas. Adlai, the youngest son, is in the U. S. Navy. He volunteered in the first call for men for the war. Blanche, the youngest daughter, maried Ora Smith of Oklahoma. They have one daughter.

Daniel Brillhart

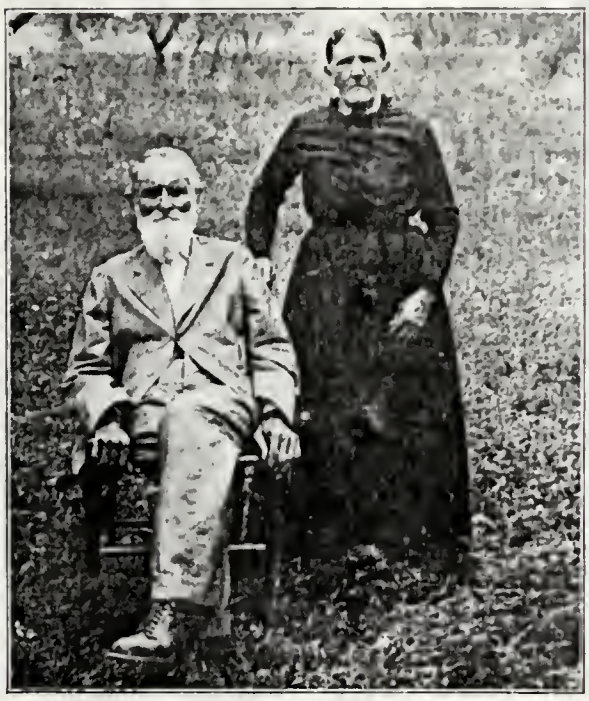
Daniel Brillhart was born in East Virginia, Roanoke County, and lived there till the war broke out in 1861. He and his son, John, fought during the war and when the war was over John Brillhart would not go back to East Virginia but stayed in West Virginia, Kanawha County. He brought the rest of his family to West Virginia and he died the same year, leaving a wife and three children, the youngest one being only four years old. They are all dead now except the youngest one who married John Milam in 1875 and they had eleven children. Her husband died in 1904, leaving her alone with her children.

Adam Brillhart

Adam Brillhart, son of Daniel and Catherine Shultz Brillhart, died in 1860. No one seems to know much of him only he married Sarah Loop and had one child, Sarah Elizabeth who was married to Allen Brillhart, son of Abraham, they being first cousins.

H. H. Brillhart

H. H. Brillhart, youngest son of Daniel and Catherine Shultz Brillhart, a grandson of John and Susan Deordorf Brillhart, was born Jan. 8, 1841, at Catawba, Roanoke Co., Va., He has no remembrance of his father as he died when he was three years old. At his father's death his mother was left in charge of six sons.



H. H. Brillhart and Wife

At the age of seven years, he entered school, going during winter months and during this time learned a piece of poetry "The Sailor Boy" which he remembered and recited in his old age to children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He acquired a common school education and at the age of sixteen years began to teach school and taught five terms. He

joined the Confederate Army and went through the battle of Chancellorsville. He came home for a vacation, then went to Allegheny County and joined another artillery. Here he was arrested and kept handcuffed four days and afterwards was sent to his commander at Richmond, Va. Here he did not enter battle but made out he was seriously sick, so the chief sergeant sent him to Chimbarazo Hospital, Richmond, Va., where he remained one month, fooling all the doctors. He was then transferred to a hospital at Lynchburg, Va., where he stayed a month. From here he asked for a discharge to go to his command in the Shenandoah Valley with Gen Early. From here he with five others went through the lines crossing seven big mountains. They came out at New Creek Station on the B. & O. Railroad.. From here he went to Crestline, Ohio. This was in Sept., 1864. He worked for a man on the farm till May, 1865, and then came home and on Jan. 9, 1866, was united in marriage to Elizabeth Garman.

Henry H. Brillhart and Family

To this union nine children were born: Luvernia J., Anna L., Texas V., Emory H., Tabitha S., Lucian H., Marshall M., Minnie M., and Willis W.

Luvernia J. married Samuel R. Eakin on Oct. 1, 1889. Eakin is a farmer. Unto them were born six children: Roy, Annie, Terry, Trigg, Willis, and Frank.

Annie L., the second daughter of H. H., was married to James A. Garman, a farmer, on Jan. 13, 1890, and unto them were born seven children, namely: Ruth, Harry, Leslie, Lena, Mabel, Cline and Helen.

Harry Garman

Texas Virginia was married to Frank Bausman on Dec. 1, 1908. Unto them were born two children, Mary and Annie. Bausman is a section hand on the railroad.

Emory H., was married to Miss Amelia Garber on Dec. 29, 1909. Unto them was born one child, Roy. Emory is a prosperous farmer and trucker, and lives near Kansas City.

A Daughter of H. H. Brillhart and Family

Tabitha S., married Joshua G. Deeds Jan. 12, 1898. Ten children: Vera, Kent, Hortense, Bernice, Loree, Garwood, Grace, Clara, Dale and Warnetta. Deeds is a farmer and lives in Catawba Valley.

Lucian H. was married to Lula K. Crawford on July 18, 1910. Unto them was born one child, namely, Verbena. Lucian works in a Fertilizer and Seed House for Spindle and Surface, Christiansburg, Va.

Mrs. Daniel Brillhart

David and Mary Ann Brillhart Huffman

Minnie M. married A. W. Gerber. They moved to Merriam, Kans., R. 2.

Marshall M. was married to Miss Mary James on March 6, 1912. Unto them was born one child, namely, Gordon.

Willis W. is single and lived at home. He ran his father's farm but later moved to Merriam, Kans., R. 6.

H. H. raised a large family of children, after having such a hard way of getting started in life. After he first married, they lived at home until his mother's death, then lived with his wife's people a while. He then went to his farm which he got from his father's estate which was then in woods. He worked hard and saved as he went and in his old age had plenty around him.

Mary Brillhart

Mary, daughter of John and Susan Deordorf Brillhart, was born in York County, Pa.

In her young years she was taken by her parents to Rockingham County, Va. There among the fertile fields she helped to cultivate and take care of the domestic needs until she became the bride of Michael Koontz. Their children are Susan Koontz, married to Reed. They have no children. Polly Koontz married Zachariah Shirley, and their children are: Annie Pickering (nee Shirley); Beulah married to James Pickering; and Kate, married to Nickline; and Betty Shirley. Mary Koontz married Michael Wine. They had no children. Sally Koontz, not married, and Barbara, not married; Christina Koontz married Reuben Pennyweight. They had one child, Mary, who married Thomas Fry. Lydia Koontz married John Schaeffer and their child, Amanda, married Shade Fleming and they had two children: Fannie, single, and Beda married to Claude Stickles. Annie Koontz married Thomas Lamplaine. They had no children. Michael Koontz married Hannah Filtymoyer and their children are: Amelia Koontz, married to Abraham Kagey; Adaline Koontz married to Hiram Glenn: Eliza Koontz, not married; John Koontz married to Matilda Sibert. They have no children. Samuel Koontz married Nana Bied. They have no children.

Michael and Mary Brillhart Koontz

Amelia Kagey's children are Elizabeth, married to George Ritenour. They have no children.

Michael Koontz married Fanny Myers and then married Margaret Pennyweight; Frank Koontz married Dora Good. He is dead and their child is Mary Kagey.

Susan Brillhart Kaylor

John and Mary Kaylor Sonafrank and Daughter

Susan Brillhart Kaylor

Susan, daughter of John and Susan Deordorf Brillhart, was born in York County, Pa., and early in life went with her parents to Rockingham County, Va.

While young, she helped to improve their new home. Her opportunity in school was very limited and she only acquired common school education. After growing to womanhood, she met with Henry Kaylor and they were soon united in marriage. In later years, they went west to Ohio, settling near to Degraff. To them were born four boys and three girls: John, married twice, to Kesiah Tracy and Mary Hummel; Joseph; Elizabeth married to Lewis Crouse; Mary married twice, Stockmyer, and Sonafrank; Samuel, married to Mary ——: Rebecca, married to Amos ——; Daniel, married to Weaver.

Rebecca Kaylor —— and Daughters

Her life was one of fine Christian

Daniel Kaylor and Wife

grace, a loving wife, a kind mother, and a good neighbor.

Elizabeth Kaylor Crouse

Elizabeth Kaylor, a daughter of Henry and Susan Brillhart Kaylor, was born in Logan County, Ohio, Jan. 9, 1825.

She was married to Lewis Crouse May 10, 1840. He was born in Dauphin County, Pa., Dec. 27, 1816, and died Dec. 31, 1903. To this union five children were born, one daughter dying in infancy.

Mary Magdaline was born Feb. 14, 1841, and was married to D. C. Smith, June 12, 1856; died May 28, 1863. One child was born to this union, but died in infancy.

George Crouse was born April 18, 1849. He married Mary Elizabeth Reprogal. Two children were born to this union, one dying in infancy. George died Feb. 7, 1915, and his wife four weeks later. The daughter, Fannie Ellen, married James Marnon. She died about eighteen months afterwards. To them was born one son, Herman Carl, who married Gertrude C. Ritcheson, in March, 1915, then moved to Tennessee City, Tenn., in the spring of 1917 where they now reside, he being principal of the high school.

Lewis and Elizabeth Kaylor Crouse

Joseph Crouse was born Nov. 4, 1844, and married to Sallie Selina Moon, some time in the seventies. He died June 28, 1876, and she died in 1910. To this union two sons were born, one dying in infancy. The other, D. W. Crouse, was born in 1874, and he married Miss Anna Donaway. To this union one daughter, May Catherine, was born. They now reside at 722 Green St., Atchison, Kan. He is a professor in Midland College.

Philip Henry Crouse was born Oct. 5, 1855, and he still lives on

Mary Crouse

George and Henry Crouse

the old home farm in Logan County. All of his family were born and raised in this county.

Sarah Kaylor Bennett

Sarah Bennett, the eldest daughter of Mary Smith Kaylor, was born in 1852, and was married to George D. Bennett. To this union four children were born: Samuel G. Bennett, of Oklahoma; Henry D. Bennett, at Henning, Ill.; Howard M. Bennett, Secret Service of U. S. at Canal Zone; Sarah Amanda Bennett, at home.

The grandchildren are: Ruth Marie, daughter of Samuel G. Bennett, Maxine Elizabeth Grace, daughter of Henry D. Bennett.

Geo. D. and Sarah Kaylor Bennett

Samuel Brillhart

Samuel Brillhart, a son of John and Susanna Brillhart, was born in York County, Pa., in the year 1795.

In his young years, probably 1798, his parents moved to Rockingham County, Va., where he was reared to manhood. The efforts to help clear off the farm took up the time of his boyhood days. School privileges were not much in those early days; from one to two months' schooling was all that the boy could get thru the winter months. He was a stirring lad and a natural mechanic, and learned the cooper trade with his father and brothers. They made their guns, and wagons, and many of their farm implements, doing all their own blacksmithing. He was an able workman.

Samuel and Mary Chambers Brillhart

At the age of 19 years he met a lady of his choice, Miss Susan Whitzel (born Nov. 21, 1795), and they became intimate and united in marriage in 1813. They two became one in the energy and struggle necessary to clear off a farm, and building their home meant much hard work. Their home, built of logs covered with split clapboards, the floor of blue clay, the chimney of stone and logs, and their furniture hand-made of the rudest sort, afforded them a place where joy and happiness filled their hearts, and the songs of Redeeming Love lightened their daily toils.

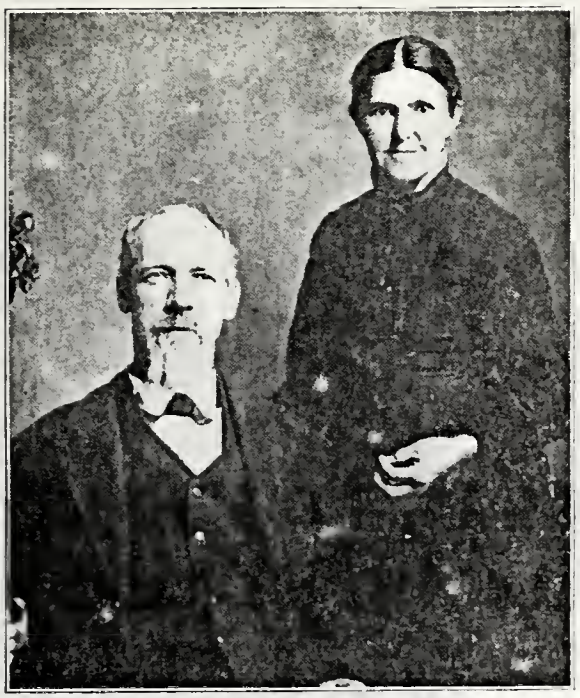
To this union were born nine children: Mary Ann, David, Elizabeth, John, Sarah, Catherine, Samuel, Phoebe, and one who died in infancy.

In the year of 1830, the government was offering inducements to all who would go west to improve the land. This seemed to appeal to him. He was limited in means, but filled with courage and hope of finding a better place. They gathered their household goods together and packed all into one covered wagon—his wife, and children, and provisions, and feed.

In the spring of 1831, they started west across the mountain, traveling through the woods along new roads that were simply blazed trails to lead the way, using the sun as a guide to their western home. He landed in Coshocton County, Ohio, with but twenty-five cents of money in his pocket, and a team of old horses to start farming to support his large family.

He entered his claim of 80 acres of land, not knowing how he was to

pay for it. He managed to get a little corn from his neighbors which he planted after deadening the timber. His family of boys and girls all laid hold of the ax and saw and helped clear the land. He knew the time was soon due when his land must be paid and he had no money. Knowing something must be done, he said to his wife, "I will go to Dresdon and see if I can sell some barrels to the stillhouse." On the way to town, he met a boy on the road with a letter who asked him the road to Samuel Brillhart. He told the boy he was going there soon, so if he had any word to send to him he would take it. The boy handed him the letter. It read, "I'll take all the barrels you can make in the next three weeks at thirty-seven and one half cents each, insured not to leak." He told the boy he was the man he was looking for. He turned and went home. He hired one man and with the help of his family, they went to the woods, cut the timber, and made barrels for three full weeks and delivered them. At the end of that time, he had made barrels enough to more than pay for his 80 acres of land. He soon became known as a cooper, as well as a business man. He bought land and cleared off farms, making the best of every opportunity that opened up to him. His wife gave way to death's call in 1837, leaving them all to feel the loss of a loving, kind, and faithful wife and mother.



John and Phoebe Pettit Wilson

Reuben Pettit and Wife

In 1838, he married Miss Mary Chambers, (born July 30, 1806), and to this union were born three boys: William A., Henry H., and Benjamin F.

He became a wealthy man, and at one time owned 1000 acres of land. In 1864, during the war when everything was high, he sold nine head of young horses, five hundred head of sheep, and many beef cattle and one hundred bushels of grain. He was a useful man and furnished much work for his dependent neighbors. Religiously his first wife was a Disciple.

John and Phoebe Brillhart Frederick

Samuel Frederick and Wife

Rosie Frederick Fortune

Elizabeth Frederick

His second wife was a Methodist. After his second marriage, his wife persuaded him to unite with a church, saying that she would go with him. So he decided to unite with the Dunkard people and they lived as one in Christ until Sept. 24, 1870, when he passed from work to reward. Mary Chambers Brillhart died Nov. 26, 1897.

Mary Irene Frederick

Following is a list of all the children:

Mary Arna B. Pettit, born Apr. 10, 1815; died Aug. 25, 1859

David Brillhart was born Oct. 6, 1816; died Feb. 12, 1881. He married Mary Drake and Martha Drake.

Elizabeth B. Frederick was born Oct. 23, 1817; died Jan. 6, 1880.

John Brillhart was born Dec. 4, 1819; died Feb. 7, 1850. He married Julianna Robinson.

Sarah B. Smith was born May 20, 1823.

Catharine B. Stover was born July 27, 1825; died Mar. 12, 1829.

Samuel Brillhart was born Sept. 25, 1829; died Aug. 30, 1911. He married Mary Williamson and Sarah Welch.

Phoebe B. Frederick, born June 12, 1833; died Aug. 2, 1889.

Children of second wife:

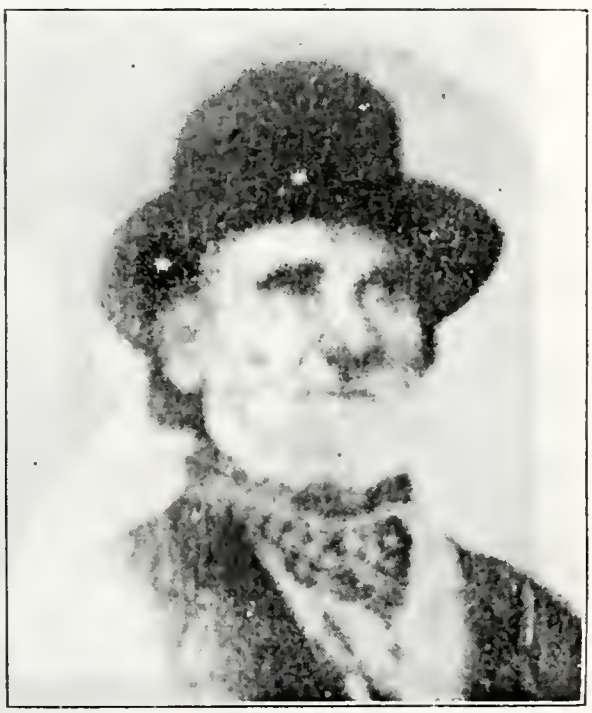
W. A. Brillhart was born April 26, 1839; died May 29, 1914. He married Elizabeth A. Miller.

H. H. Brillhart was born April 9, 1841; died March 17, 1911. Married Caroline Heaton.

B. F. Brillhart was born April 28, 1849. He married Caroline Heaton.

David Brilhart

David Brilhart, son of Samuel Brillhart, married Mary Drake in 1841.



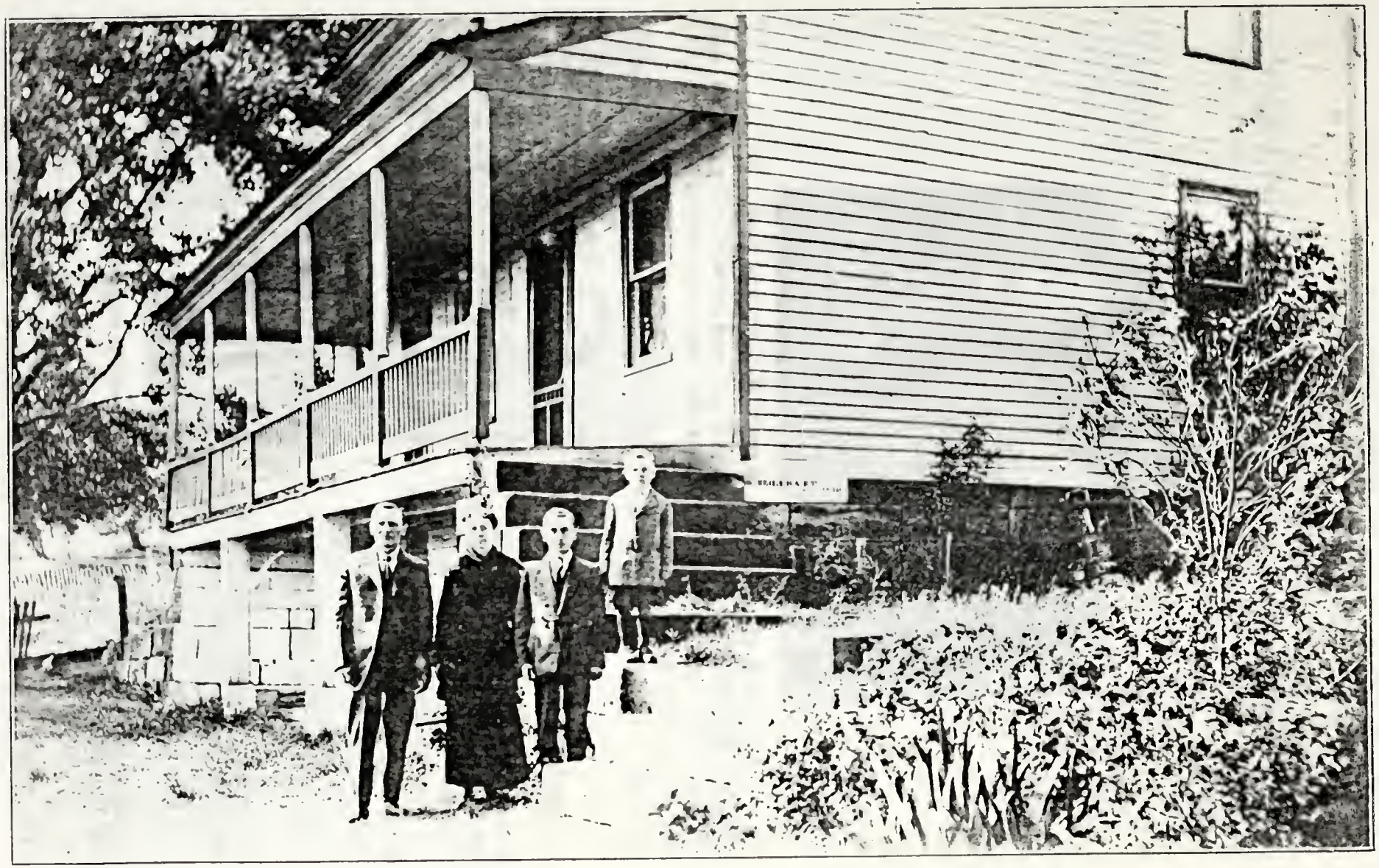
David Brillhart

To this union the following children were born: Elizabeth Williamson, Phoebe Crooks, Samuel, Isaac, Martha Haas, Tabitha Holmes, David Wellington, Hamilton Riley, William S.

Henry and Phoebe Brillhart Crooks

Emma Crooks

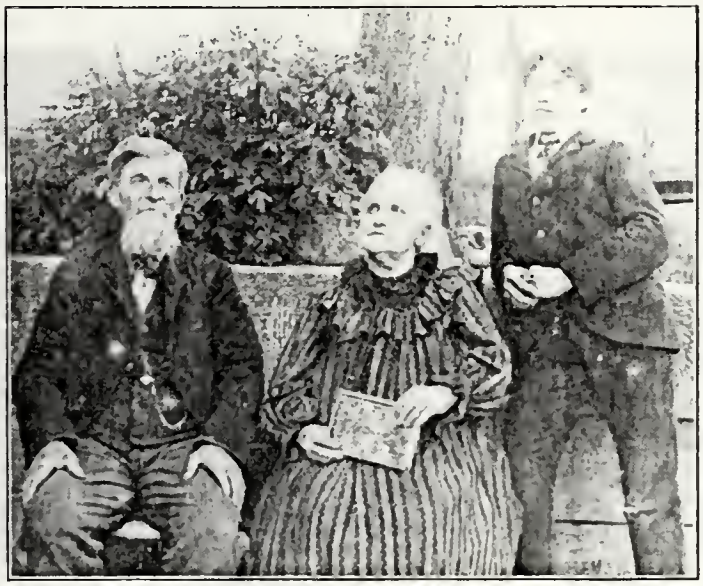
Earl Haas and Wife



Old Home of David Brillhart, Showing Victor Dellsworth Brillhart and Family

Elizabeth Brillhart Williamson

Elizabeth Brillhart, daughter of David and Mary Drake Brillhart, married Piatt Williamson. To them was born one son, Samuel. He died



Piatt and Elizabeth Brillhart Williamson and Son

Feb. 6, 1903. Mr. Williamson was a noted man passing through the most severe battles of our Civil War. He returned to Coshocton Co., O., in 1865. His life was one of much energy and grit and he was a fine, loving husband.

Isaac and Tabitha Brillhart Holmes

Tabitha Brillhart Holmes

Tabitha Brillhart, daughter of David Brillhart, married Isaac Holmes. To them the following children were born:

Lulu B. Hughes, born Nov. 8, 1872, Pleasanton, Neb., farmer.

Orlin Riley Holmes, born Nov. 16, 1880, Pleasanton, Neb., farmer.

Lora Lee Suntken, born Oct. 23, 1889, Pleasanton, Neb., farmer.

Sarah Allen Caswell, Pleasanton, Neb., farmer.

Lulu Belle Holmes married Jesse Hughes, Jan. 3, 1888.

Lora Lee Holmes married Henry Suntken, Jan. 13, 1909.

Orlin R. Holmes is a bachelor.

Sarah Allen Caswell married Perry T. Caswell, Dec. 18, 1905. He is

a farmer at Pleasanton, Neb. To them the following children were born:

Warren Harold, born Dec. 17; died Dec. 17.
Kenneth Dale, born Sept. 1, 1909.
Dellmar Glenn, born Nov. 14, 1917.

David Wellington Brillhart and Family

David Wellington Brillhart

D. W. Brillhart, son of David and Mary Drake Brillhart, married Sarah Livengood, Sept. 30, 1877, and they live at Warsaw, Ohio. To this union the following children were born:

Tillie Bucklew, born July 26, 1878, Blissfield, O., railroader.
Alonzo Brillhart, born Aug. 30, 1880, Akron, O., real estate.
Blanche Kern, born July 7, 1884, Stoutsville, O.
Olive Clark, born Nov. 12, 1889, Fredericksburg, O.
Grey Brillhart, born Sept. 7, 1893, Coshocton, O., farming.

Family of David Brillhart and Martha Drake (Second Wife)

David Brillhart, son of Samuel and Mary (Polly) Chambers, married Martha Drake, his second wife in 1858. To this union the following children were born:

John Brillhart, born May, 1860, Warsaw, O., farmer.
Milan Brillhart, born 1864, Warsaw, O., farmer.
Emma Brillhart, born 1866, Newark, Ohio.
Laura Brillhart, born 1868, Fredericksburg, Ohio.
Hambie Winslow Brillhart, born 1870, Warsaw, Ohio, farmer.
Victor Dellsworth Brillhart, born 1872, Warsaw, O., farmer.
Milan E. Brillhart married Ella Rodgers in 1910.

Martha Drake Brillhart

John and Susan Stacer Brillhart and Daughter

Milan Brillhart

Hambie W. Brillhart and Family

Emma Brillhart married William Crooks, Oct. 15, 1889. They live at Newark, Ohio, and have no children.

Laura Brillhart married Elmer E. King, June 16, 1889. To them the following children were born:

Mildred King, born Dec. 12, 1890; died Dec. 20, 1890.
Ethel Fern, born Nov. 15, 1891, married.
Lela, born Nov. 17, 1893, married.
Martha King, born Oct. 22, 1896, Canton, O.

Clyde, born Aug. 9, 1899, Fredericksburg, O.

Laura Brillhart King

Raymond, born April 1, 1903.
Paul, born Mar. 9, 1905.
Howard, born Nov. 13, 1907.
Kenneth, born July 6, 1909.
Walter, born Jan. 22, 1912.

Ethel King married Martin Ross, April 29, 1909. Their children are as follows:

Laura Alverda, born Feb. 10, 1911; died Feb. 5, 1915.
Gertrude Mary, born Jan. 6, 1913.
Emma Lucila, born Jan. 15, 1915; died Apr. 26, 1915.
Opal Arline, born April 2, 1916.
Elva Marie, born Mar. 20, 1918; died Mar. 26, 1918.

Lela King married Edgar Griffith, Canton, O., Mar. 29, 1918.

Mary Brillhart married James M. Brillhart, Sept. 6, 1881. They live at 142 Hudson Ave., Newark, Ohio. To this union one child was born, Lena, in 1891, who married Oscar Ecleberry, Oct. 31, 1916.

Elizabeth Brillhart Frederick

Elizabeth Brillhart, a daughter of Samuel and Susan Whitsel Brillhart,

John and Elizabeth Brillhart Frederick

John F. Frederick

was born in Virginia and moved with her parents to Coshocton County, O. She helped her father in the work of clearing the farm and fixing up the

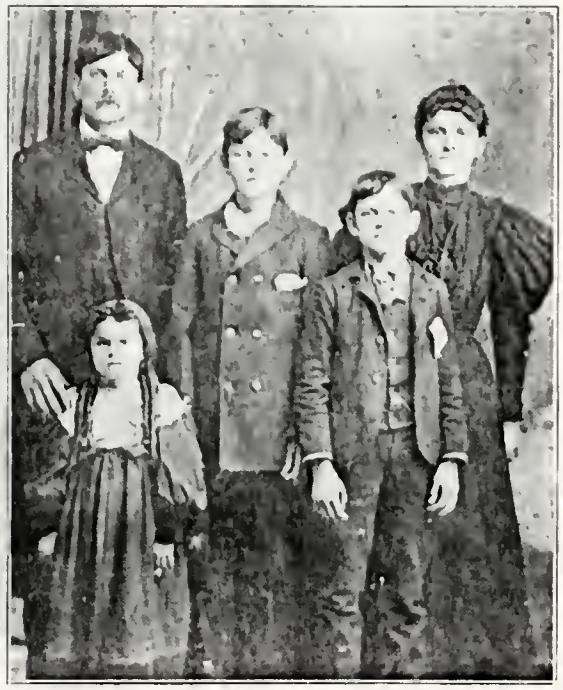
Benjam'n, William, David, Mary, Christena, and Susan Frederick, Family of John and Elizabeth Brillhart

new home. She married John Frederick and to them were born ten children: Samuel, Susan, Lewis, David, Christena, Polly, William, Julia, George, Benjamin.

Samuel Frederick

Samuel Frederick, a son of John Frederick and Elizabeth Brillhart,

Samuel Frederick



William and Julia Frederick Parson and Family

married Sarah Parish, and to this union the following children were born:

Joseph and Mary Frederick Garmentsfelder and Son, Perry and Wife

Franklin Frederick, born 1861; died 1863.

Mary E. Frederick, born 1863, Ludington, Mich.

Julia A. Parson, born 1865, Democracy, O.

Mary E. married Mr. Joe H. Garmertsfelder, Dec. 27, 1883. To this union one child was born:

Perry A. Garmertsfelder, born 1884, Ludington, Mich., farmer.

Julia Frederick married Wm. Parson, Oct. 11, 1882 and to them the following children were born:

I. G. Parson, born 1884, Mt. Vernon, O., married to Isa Cutnal, 1905.
Wm. Parson, born 1887, Fredericktown, married to Olive Fletcher, 1906.
Gladys Parson, born 1892, Fredericktown, married to I. E. Robinson, 1908.

Susan Frederick married John Bowers. To them were born two children:

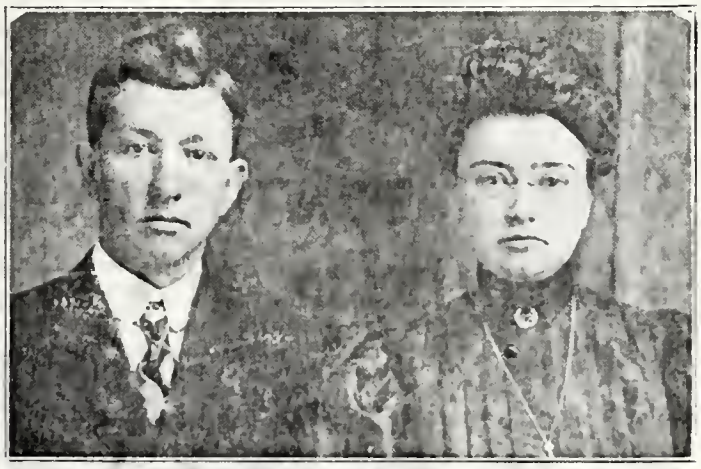
John and Susan Frederick Bowers

Lewis and Rosa Heft Frederick

Mary, married to George ——. To them one child, Verna. Martha, married to Mr. Doll. To them five children were born: James, Edna Lippert,

Bessie Nycum, Chauncy, married to Bock, Arthur married to Miss Zinck.

Lewis Frederick was married to Rosa Heft. To them two children



Roy and Eva Frederick Infield

were born: Eva married to Roy Infield (To them were born: Bernice, Berton, Erma, Hugo); Ida, not married.

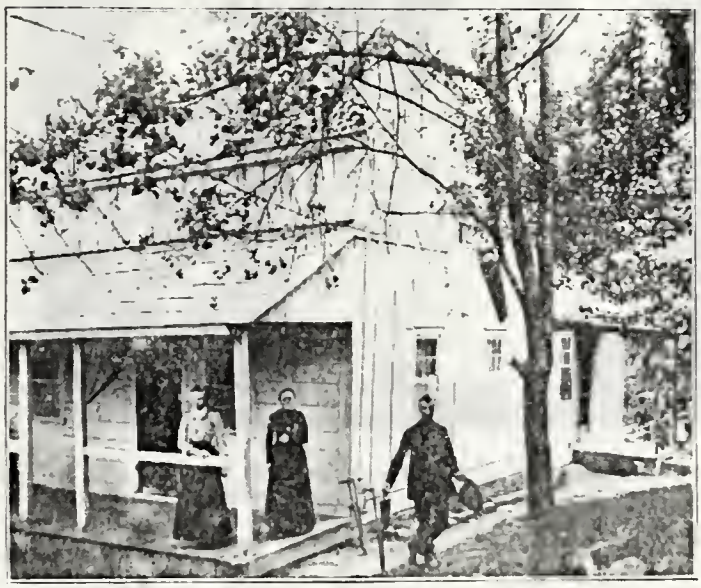
David Frederick married Jane McNeal. To them two children were

Ida Frederick

Martha Frederick

born: Lizzie, married to Mr. Smailes. They had two children: Russel and Raymond; Martha, single.

Christena Frederick married Jacob Garmertsfelder. To them ten children were born: Laura, married to Wm. Weil; Otto, married to



David and Jane McNeal Frederick

Nyhart; Samuel, married to Grace Richards; Charles, married to Miss Haas; Edward, married to Miss Derlin; Carrie, married to Mr. Soudles;

Jacob and Christena Frederick Garmentsfelter

Ella, married to Marion Shepherd; Anna, married to Mr. Fox; David, married to Miss Bender.

Marion and Ella Garmentsfelter Shepherd and Family

Polly Frederick married Wm. Crowl. To them three children were born: Frank, married to Miss Bantum; Glenn, married to Mary Root; Sevill, married to Speck.

Benjamin Franklin Frederick married Sarah Ellen Earnest and to them

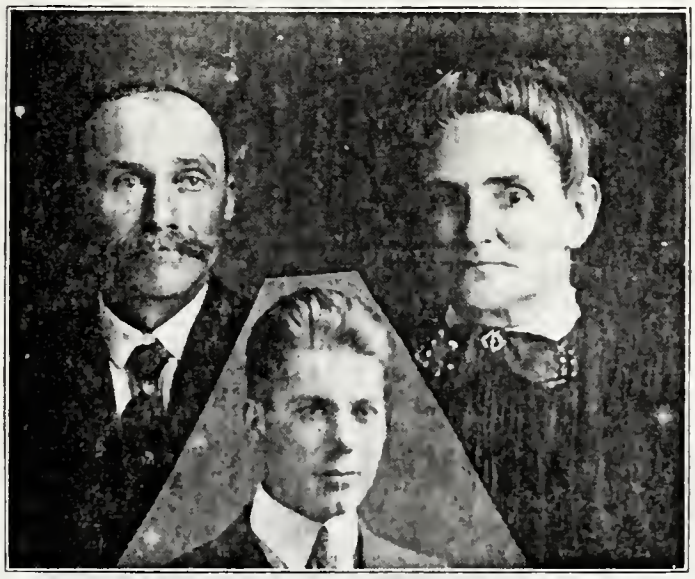
William and Polly Frederick Crowl

Charles and Malinda Frederick Snow

the following children were born:

Malinda B., born 1889, Roscoe, O.
Rutherford, born 1898, Warsaw, O.

Clifford Orville, born 1878, Wheeling, W. Va. He married Lulu Stewart, July 16, 1905. They had two children:



Benjamin F. Frederick, Wife and Son

Ruth Ellen, born 1906, Wheeling, W. Va.
Leah Elnor, born 1908, Wheeling, W. Va.
Malinda Barbara Frederick married Charles W. Snow, Aug. 25, 1909. To them the following children were born:
Mae Delorus Snow, Jan. 25, 1912, Roscoe, O.

Orrville O. Frederick, Wife and Child

Ernest Bonnard Snow, Jan. 3, 1914, Roscoe, O.
Raymond Douglas Snow, March 10, 1916, Roscoe, O.

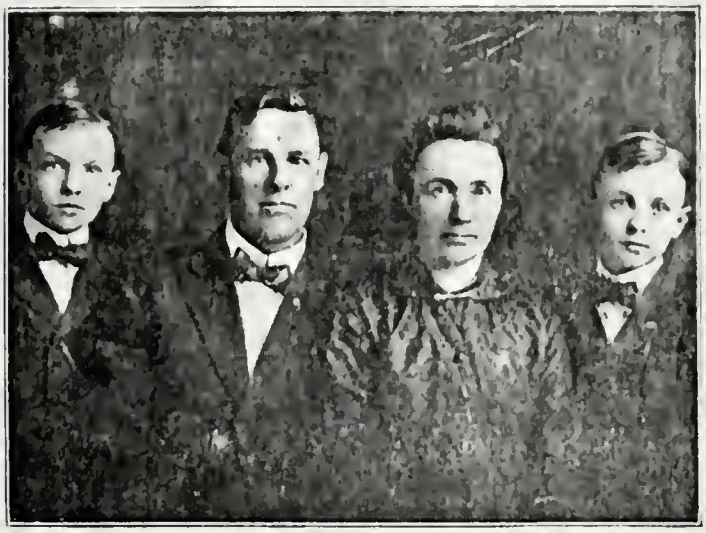
William Frederick married Miss Freece. To them were born: Cora, married to Van Kennel, four children: Bessie, Paul, Iva, Harvey; Bertha,

William Frederick and Family

married to Mr. Ross: Charlie, married to Miss Beal, 1 child, Ethel.

Julian Frederick died when small.

George W. Frederick, a son of John Frederick and Elizabeth Brillhart,



Elizabeth Frederick Smailes and Family

married Lena Gamertsfelder, and to this union the following children were born:

James, born 1899, Warsaw, Ohio, farming.
Edward, born 1872.
John, born 1874, Warsaw, Ohio, farming.
William, born 1881, Ludington, Mich., farmer.

George W. Frederick and Wife, Children and Grandchildren

Harrison, born 1883, Warsaw, Ohio.
Flora, born 1876, Warsaw, Ohio.
Elizabeth, born 1879, Warsaw, Ohio.
Mamie, born 1884, Warsaw, Ohio.

James M. Frederick married Lydia M. Haas, March 29, 1900. They had one child, Nellie E. Frederick.

E. F. Frederick, Wife and Son

Edward F. Frederick married Minnie Yearouse, Dec. 25, 1900.

John F. Brillhart

John F. Brillhart

John F. Brillhart married Julia Ann Robinson. Their children are as follows: Maria M. Kidd, William Robinson, Margaret Welsh, Wilford Filmore, Winfield Scott, Roy, who died when a young man, not married; John, who also died when young, and Sarah Humbert who died when young. She had one child who died when 3 months old.

Mary Brillhart was married to John C. Kidd. Their children are as follows:

Ninnie Ewening who died young. She left two girls.
Charlie, who lives in Oregon.
Samuel C. Kidd.
John, who lives in Akron, Ohio.
Ina Grace Limbang, Akron, Ohio.

William R. Brillhart married Malinda Burriss. This woman is the mother

of Will's children. She died March 12, 1888. His second wife was Mrs. Sadie Fouch. Her maiden name was Harton. She is living at Danville, Ohio. The children are as follows:

Charlie, who is dead. His wife lives in Pittsburgh.
Royal, who lives in Illinois.
Sadie Welsh. Her husband's name is Frank.
May Crumley. Her husband's name is Clois. Their children's names are George, Harold, Melva, and McElroy, who died young and left one child, a boy.

Margaret was married to Maurice Welsh. These people had no children. Margaret has been dead for at least 23 years. Maurice lives at Westerville, Ohio, and is married again.

Willard Filmore married Susan Bailey. Their children are as follows:
John Wilber Brillhart.
Calvin Filmore, who lives in New York State.
Rylan G. He has 3 children and lives at Ithaca, N. Y.

Willard Filmore has been dead a long time. His widow is married again and lives at Athens, Pa.

Winfield Scott Brillhart

Winfield Scott Brillhart, a son of John F. Brillhart, and grandson of Samuel and Susan Brillhart of Virginia, was born Oct. 16, 1854, at Spring Mountain, Coshocton Co., Ohio. He spent his early boyhood days around Warsaw and acquired a fair education making many friends wherever he went.

Winfield Scott Brillhart and Family

When he was about 23 years of age, he went to Millwood, Knox Co., Ohio, in pursuit of his occupation as a painter and photographer. He there met a young lady by the name of Miss Hattie M. Critchfield, in whom he confided, and soon their affections became centered on each other and they were joined in wedlock in 1880. To this union were born three children: Elsie M., Claude Scott, and John Basil.

Being a God-fearing and faithful Christian man he raised his little family in honor to their Blessed Redeemer. His line of work was painting, decorating, paperhanging, and photographing.

In April, 1897, he moved to Oakwood, Paulding County, Ohio. In 1904, he was appointed by the U. S. Mail Service to the Rural Delivery out

of Oakwood. He filled this position until September 18, 1913, when he had a stroke of apoplexy while on duty. He lingered until the 25th of the same month when he passed from work to reward. A record of his children follows:

Donald and Irene Bidlock

Elsie M., married John W. Bidlock. They have two children who are twins, Donald Brillhart and Dorlores Irene. They were born June 30, 1897.

Claude Scott Brillhart married Edith Alspaugh. They have three children: Harley Alspaugh, Dorothy Ellen, Wilber Aden.

John Basil Brillhart married Ina Lois Crotinger. They have five children: Laren Edward, Ivan Scott, Eva Basil, Charles Cliftan, Metha Ware.

John Brillhart was the seventh child of John F. Brillhart. He married Hattie Baker. Both died young and left a baby girl who was raised by Joseph and Mollie Hanger. The baby's name was Lutie Brillhart Hanger. She married J. W. Hayes. He lives at Lancaster, Ohio, R. R. 12. Their children are as follows: Flossie Hayes who died when a baby; Lester McCoy Hayes who was drowned when 14 years old; Mona Marie; Mary Jane; Joseph F.; John Wesley; Elmer Hanger; Lutie Maude; Florence Elizabeth.

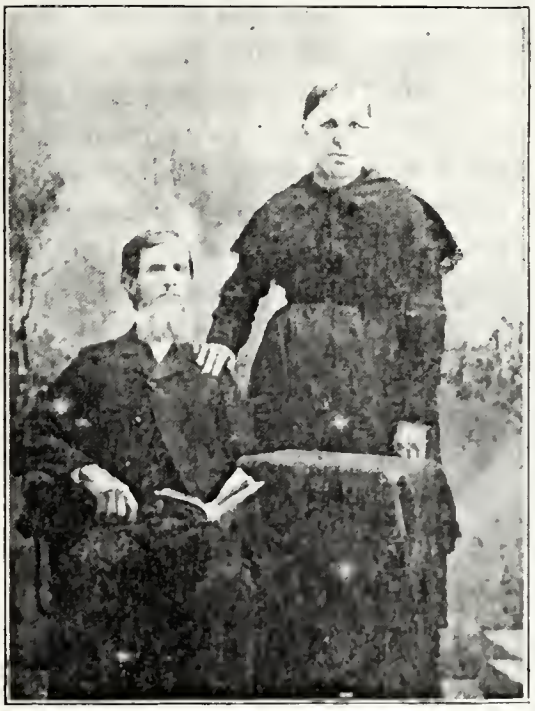
Sarah Brillhart Humbert

Sarah was the eighth child of John F. Brillhart. Her husband's name was Henry Humbert. They had one child. It died when three months old. Sarah died when the baby was about six weeks old.

Sarah Brillhart Smith

Sarah Brillhart was born in Virginia, May 22, 1823. She came with her parents to Ohio in 1832. The family settled in Coshocton County, where her parents died and some of the family yet live. She was united in marriage with Samuel B. Smith at Coshocton in 1841. In 1866 they came with their children to this township, and remained here until the end of life's journey. Father Smith died on the farm five miles southeast of Hoopeston, July 11, 1890. The next spring Mrs. Smith came to Hoopeston with her daughter Vina, and they have lived together here ever since. She

was the mother of eight children, all of whom are living except Robert, who died in 1881 at the age of 21. The living children, in the order of their ages, are as follows: Mrs. Mary Kaylor, Alvan; William C. Smith, Hoopeston; Lewis R. Smith, Grant township; Vina Smith, Hoopeston; Mrs. Sarah Prutsman, Hoopeston; Samuel D. Smith, Grant township, and Daniel W. Smith, Grant township.



Samuel and Sarah Brillhart Smith

Father and Mother Smith were members of the Dunkard denomination in early life, but when they came to this township they joined the Christian church when it was first organized in 1870, before the church building was erected. They were good people and consistent Christians, living lives that furnished examples for their children and patterns for the community.

Samuel[7] David Smith

Samuel David Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel B. Smith, was born

Samuel Smith and Wife

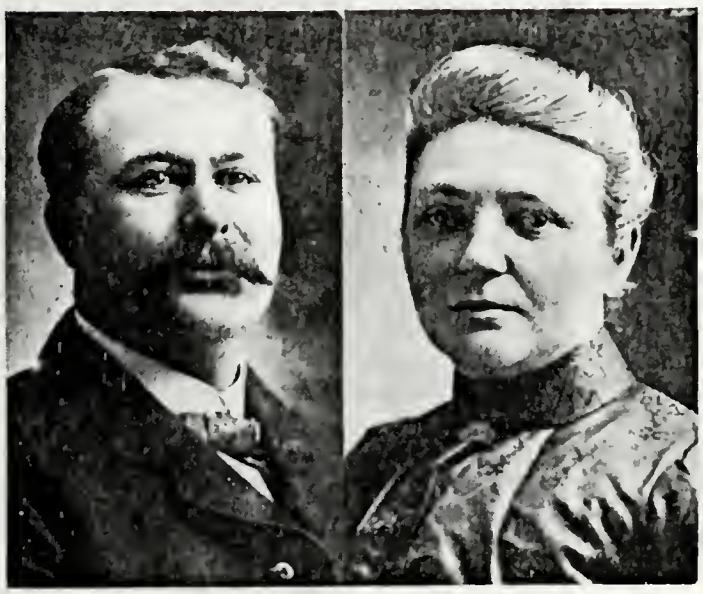
Wilber Smith

in Coshocton County, Ohio, Jan. 17, 1855, and was consequently past sixty-two years of age at the time of his death. When he was about ten years of age he came with his parents to this vicinity where he worked on a farm. He became acquainted with Miss Ann Eliza Wolfe of Ohio, who lived with her brother and taught school in this township, and on Dec. 31, 1879, he went to her Ohio home where they were married. They came back and went to housekeeping in the Antioch neighborhood, remaining there until they went to Kansas in 1883. They remained but two years and came back. Mr. Smith purchased the farm southeast of town and they lived there until they came to town in 1903, and they have lived here since, Mr. Smith engaging in the sale of automobiles. They had five children, as follows: Gertrude, wife of J. I. Cronkhite, of Hoopeston; Lora, wife of John F. Haworth of Georgetown; Ethel, living at home with her parents; Wilber D., on the home farm; and Dessie, wife of Walter Vandenberg, living on another of Mr. Smith's farms, southeast of Hoopeston.

Mr. Smith was a man of high standing among those who knew him. His integrity was never questioned. He served many years as highway commissioner, and was a drainage commissioner at the time of his death. He was very successful in life, starting with almost nothing and accumulating a half section of fine land, besides his town property and considerable personal property. He and most of his family were members of the Methodist church.

Daniel Webster Smith

Daniel Webster Smith, the youngest son of Samuel B. and Sarah Brillhart Smith, grandson of Samuel and Susan Whitsel Brillhart, was born near Bellefontaine, Logan County, Ohio, Oct. 12, 1864.



Daniel W. Smith and Wife

In his early boyhood, he worked on the farm and from there acquired a common school education. Later on as he became older his social life among the young folks of like age was of a pleasant, friendly nature. His company was much appreciated by all and among his many associates his affections finally centered in marriage with Miss Gertrude C. Taylor at Danville, Ohio, Sept. 5, 1864.

Their early Christian training has been a factor which has made his

home happy and a pleasant resort for all their many friends. They have gathered their portion of this world's goods which promises them a support in this life, and they have always had a portion for those that stood in need.

Matthias D. and Catherine Bril'hart Stover

Catherine Brillhart Stover

Catherine Brillhart, daughter of Samuel Brillhart and Susan Whitzel, married Mathias Dickey Stover. To this union the following children were born:

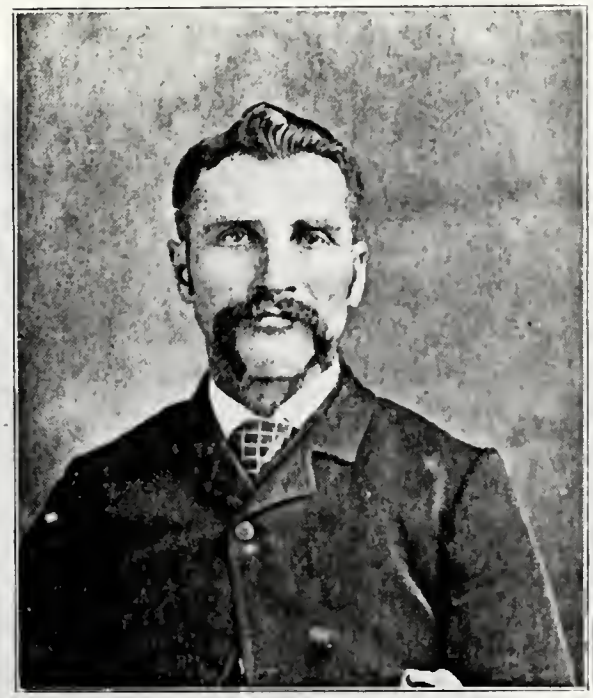
Geo. W. Stover, born May 12, 1845, Warsaw, O.; died Oct. 19, 1854.

W. H. Stover, born 1847, Blissfield, O., farmer.

J. L. Stover, born 1849; died 1916, Warsaw, O., farmer.

Phœbe A. Stover, born 1852, Warsaw, O., farmer.

Mary J. Stover, born 1855, Warsaw, O., farmer.



W. H. Stover

J. L. Stover

B. F. Stover, born 1857, Coshocton, O., gardener.

Sarah L. Stover, born 1861, East Lynn, Ill., seamstress.

Eva E. Stover, born 1864, Newark, O., seamstress.
Samuel C. Stover, born 1867, Warsaw, O., farmer.

Nathan and Anna Stover Bucklew

Eva E. married Jasper C. Farr, Apr. 20, 1897. They have no children.
Mary J. married James Wilson.
Ella married Mr. Cox.
Phoebe Anna married Nathan Bucklew.
Sarah married ——

James and Mary Jane Stover Wilson and Daughter

B. F. Stover and Wife

Elmer D. Stover

Samuel C. Stover and Wife

Jasper C. and Eva Stover Farr

Sylvia Glenna Stover

Sylvia Glenna Stover, daughter of Geo. W. Stover, was born Sept. 4, 1882, at Coshocton County, Ohio, and married to Charles Ogle Sept. 20, 1897. To this union were born three children:

Carl W. Ogle, born June 24, 1899.

Jesse L. Ogle, born Oct. 12, 1901.

Dale T. Ogle, born June 23, 1903.

Nov. 18, 1915, Carl W. Ogle was married to Jessie Poling. To this union one child was born, Rosalia Ogle, Oct. 14, 1916.

Bernard Field Stover

Bernard Field Stover, son of Mathias D. Stover, was born Oct. 26, 1877, in Leon, Kan. His wife, Sylvia Goodin, was born in Coshocton County, Jan. 21, 1878, and died Nov. 21, 1903. They had one child, Ethel Lucille Stover, born Nov. 12, 1903.

Luella Maye Patterson, his wife by second marriage, was born May 20, 1886, Ohio. Their children are:

Emma Juanita Stover, born April 29, 1907, Pleasantville, O.
Fred Field Stover, born July 9, 1911, Newark, O.
Geraldine Marcella Stover, born Nov. 16, 1913, Newark, O.

Samuel Brillhart

Samuel Brillhart, a son of Samuel and Susan Whitsel Brillhart, grandson of John and Catherine Huff Brillhart, was born in Rockingham Co., Va., Sept. 25, 1829. He was brought with his parents to Coshocton Co., Ohio, when he was only two years old. He acquired a common school education and in 1853 was married to Miss Mary Williamson. To them were born four children: Jane, Robert M., Sarah Catherine, and John Winslow.

Samuel and Mary Williamson Brillhart

Elizabeth Jane, the oldest daughter of Samuel, married Archie Burrell. They have five children: Mary, Katie, Frank, Sell, and Samuel (dead). All four are living at Dallas, Iowa, except Sell. Elizabeth died in 1897.

Sarah Catherine, the youngest daughter of Samuel, died at the age of 15 years.

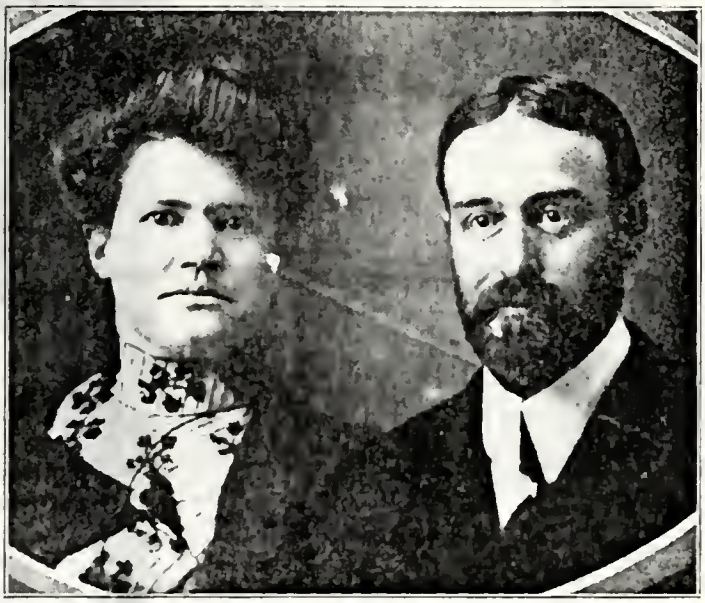
Robert Brillhart married Belle Padgett of Rossville, Ill., and settled on a farm near Kirksville, Mo., the parents of six children.

John Winslow Brillhart married Margaret Smith and to them two children were born, Jerome and Winfield. They have always resided at Dallas, Marion County, Iowa.

Samuel was a soldier in the Civil War leaving his family in care of the farm to do as best they could, not knowing if he would ever meet them again. After the war in 1869 he moved on a farm in Marion County, Iowa, where he raised his family.

In 1895 his wife died. After her death he returned to his old home in Ohio.

Some years later he maried Mrs. Sarah Thomas and lived at Blissfield, Ohio, until his death in 1911 at an age of 82 years. He was a very religious man and made a life study of the Bible, leaving many comment notes in his old Bible which spoke of the zealous interest he had in his Christian hope. Like his father, he was a natural mechanic and wagon-maker, a gunsmith, blacksmith, and always had his shop on the farm.



John W. Brillhart and Wife

In his last years he gladdened the hearts of many of his friends and little folks with the product of his pocket knife with which he fashioned many a novelty. He had committed his soul to his God for many years when he passed over from work to reward.

Robert M. Brillhart

Robert M. Brillhart, the oldest son of Samuel and Mary Williamson Brillhart, grandson of Samuel and Susan Whitsel Brillhart, was born at Spring Mountain, Coshocton County, Ohio, May 26, 1857.

R. M. Brillhart and Wife

Five years later his father was called to the Civil War which left Robert with his mother on the farm. After the war his parents moved to Iowa on a farm. He acquired some common school education. Years passed on and still with a willing hand he helped his parents to improve their home.

When he was about 26 years old he united in marriage to Miss Laura Belle Padgett, after which he took up coal mining and followed this trade

for about 21 years. Then they moved to Adair, Mo., in 1903 and began farm life. To them were born six children: Bessie, Eola, Wade, Violet, Lorena, and Mary.

Violet Fern Brillhart

Mary Brillhart was married to Mr. Barkley and they have three children: Raymond, Pauline, and Mary.

Robert was a devoted Christian and reared his children in the fear of the Lord.

Phoebe Brillhart Frederick

Phoebe Brillhart, a daughter of Samuel and Susan Whitsel Brillhart, was born in Coshocton, County, Ohio, June 12, 1833. She acquired her education and Nov. 20, 1854, was united in wedlock to John M. Frederick. To them nine children were born. They were members of the M. E. Church. In the summer of 1889 typhoid fever entered their home and first laid claim on Ella S., July 13, aged 26 years, 10 months, 10 days. On August 16, Matilda, aged 21 years, 11 months, 28 days, passed away. Following these, on August 21, their mother, aged 56 years, 2 months, 9 days, gave way to the parching fever. On September 1, the call came to the father, aged 64 years, 1 month, 18 days. On October 14, Emma, aged 17 years, 6 months, the last one of the family at home, passed away. In 90 days this little family was broken up and passed over, to unite with three that had gone before a few years previous. The three following had been married and were away from home:

Mary Frederick was born Feb. 18, 1855. She married Martin Lowery. To them was born George Lowery.

Samuel Frederick was born Aug. 14, 1857. He united in marriage with Dora J. Sowers, Feb. 6, 1890. No children.

Rosie Frederick was born Oct. 13, 1869. She married C. Fortune. To them were born William, and Beulah.

W. A. Brillhart

W. A. Brillhart, a son of Samuel and Mary Chambers Brillhart, a grandson of John Brillhart, was born on a farm in Spring Mountain, Coshocton County, Ohio, 1838, and lived to be 76 years old.

After he grew to manhood he married Miss Elizabeth Miller, in 1857, and they later with three of their six children moved and settled on a farm in Union Township. The list of their children follows:

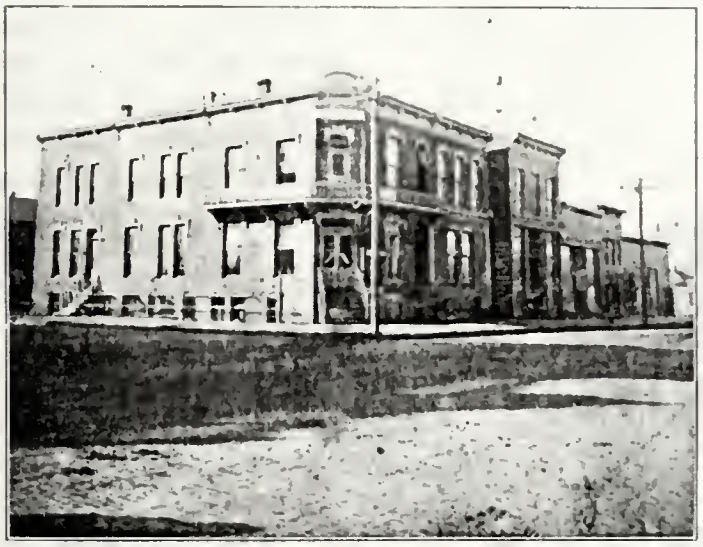
Noah A., born 1860; died 1865.
Ella Bowser, born 1862, Muncie, Ind.
Robert E., born 1863; died 1883.
Mary France, born 1867, Sioux Rapids, Iowa.
Dale W., born 1867; died 1889.
Iva M. Roberts, born 1877, Hoopeston, Ill.

W. A. Brillhart and Wife

Ella Brillhart married F. L. Bowser, Aug. 5, 1890. They had no children.

Ella Brillhart Bowser

Ella Brillhart Bowser, a daughter of William A. and Elizabeth Brillhart, granddaughter of Samuel and Mary Brillhart of Virginia, was born Feb. 6, 1862, in Coshocton County, Ohio, and moved to Illinois with her parents in 1865. She lived on a farm for thirteen years, then moved to Hoopeston, Ill., and there went into the hotel business with her father. While she became successful in the management of hotel and restaurant there, she met with a young man of her choice, L. L. Bowser.



W. A. Brillhart's Hotel, Hoopeston, Ill.

After some time of social life, they blended heart and hand and united in bonds of matrimony Aug. 5, 1890. She still continued in hotel and restaurant business for twenty years and was left a widow in 1912.

She moved to Muncie, Ind., 225 W. Gilbert Street. At this time it

became necessary for her to take in hand the executive business of her parents' estate and the care of her mother (Elizabeth) in her last declining years. Her life has been filled with many cares amidst the joys of life. Her affectionate, friendly disposition has won many loving friends to her with her untiring Christian virtues.

Mary Brillhart France and Ella Brillhart Bowser

successful in helping the sick. She attended the college of chiropractic treatment and since then has been following the profession and is known as a successful doctor.

Marie E. France

Miss Marie E. France, daughter of Mary Brillhart France, a granddaughter of William A. Brillhart late of Muncie, Ind., was born at Dunkirk, Ind., July 20, 1894.

After her days of common school, she finished her education at Muncie Conservatory July 10, 1910. Then two years later she moved with her parents to Tipton, Iowa, where she has been a

Mary Brillhart France

Mary Brillhart France, a daughter of W. A. and Elizabeth Brillhart, a granddaughter of Samuel and Mary Brillhart, was born Aug. 6, 1867, on a farm in Illinois. She gained her education in her home life at Hoopeston and later she met with Mr. Harvey France. They loved each other and later were married.

In 1891 they moved to Dunkirk, Ind. To them was born one daughter, Marie, who was given a good education.

Later they moved to Tipton, Iowa, and still later to Sioux Rapids, Iowa. She became very

Marie E. France

piano and vocal teacher, also a director of the Sunday School and Church Choir in the Presbyterian Church.

She possesses a loving disposition and a Christian character. Her many friends appreciate her life of usefulness.

Henry H. Brillhart and Family

Henry H. Brillhart

Henry H. Brillhart, a son of Samuel and Mary Chambers Brillhart, was born April 9, 1844, in Coshocton County, Ohio. He was an active man in his agricultural and business life. He acquired his education in Spring Mountain school. Later in life, his patriotic spirit being aroused at the time of the Civil War, he enlisted for service in Company G 142nd Ohio Volunteer Infantry, for one hundred days. He took sick soon afterwards and was discharged on account of disability. Later he married Miss Caroline Heaton. To this union one son, Charles, was born. He owned three hundred and ninety-two acres of land, which was all in a good state of cultivation. After he acquired some wealth, he moved to Warsaw, Ohio, retiring from his busy life. Charles, his only child, followed his father as a farmer and was successful in all his undertakings. He was united in marriage to Miss Emma Kisner. They were blessed with one daughter, Mary, who is a graduate from college.

Charles Brillhart and Family

Benjamin F. Brillhart

Benjamin F. Brillhart, son of Samuel and Mary Chambers Brillhart, was born 1849, on the old homestead near Spring Mountain, Coshocton County,, Ohio. He was united in marriage to Eliza Miller. Being the youngest son he cared for his parents in their declining years. After the death of his father he fell heir to the old home where he built a large new brick house. He accummulated some wealth, then later on account of his health he sold his property and moved to Olympia, Wash., where he bought a small tract of land. He cleared the land, built a cottage, and started in truck farming. In later years his companion was taken away, which left him alone to mourn his loss. Some time later he married Miss Zear Brillhart, a daughter of Allen and Elizabeth Brillhart. He was a man of energy, filled with much zeal, and a kind, helpful neighbor. He is still living and enjoying life in the west.

B. F. Brillhart and Wife

Ella Brillhart Bowser

Home of B. F. Brillhart

SAMUEL BRILLHART BRANCH

Samuel Brillhart

Samuel Brillhart, son of John Brillhart, of Holland, was one of the three brothers who came to America with the immigrants already referred to earlier in this history. Samuel was born in Holland in 1724 and was united in marriage to Esther Smidt in 1743. To them were born six children: Esther, Joseph, Samuel, David, Jacob, and Abraham.

Esther Brillhart seems to have no definite history, although tradition variously says that she died on the voyage to America or that she died soon after landing in America.

Joseph Brillhart

Joseph Brillhart, son of Samuel and Esther Smidt Brillhart, was born in 1754. Very little is known about him other than that he had one son, Joseph, who was married to Elizabeth ——. Joseph, Jr., had one son Samuel. Samuel Brillhart was married to Mary Fraley. To them were born six children: Harvey H., Samuel, Emma, Jonathan, Joseph and Mary. Joseph was married to Elizabeth Flick. Jonathan had one son, Samuel, who lives in Lancaster, Pa.

Samuel Brillhart

Samuel Brillhart, son of Joseph Brillhart and Elizabeth Flick, married Anna Christina Sachs. To this union the following children were born:

John J. Brillhart, born 1883, 512 W. King St., Lanc., Pa.

Mrs. B. Elizabeth Schaeffer, born 1885, 4812 N. 10th St., Phila., Pa.

Samuel Edward Brillhart, 4812 N. 10th St., Phila., Pa.

John J. Brillhart married Katharine S. Leonard, April 18, 1906. He lives at Lancaster, Pa., and is a tool maker. To this union John Harold Brillhart was born in 1911.

B. Elizabeth Brillhart married H. C. Schaeffer.

Samuel Brillhart

Samuel Brillhart, son of Samuel and Esther Smidt Brillhart, was born in 1757 and married to Magdalene Danarin. To this union were born two sons: David and Samuel. We have little history of the subject of this sketch. His remains lie in the old graveyard at Baer's Mennonite Church, York Co., Pa. His father was one of the builders of the original meetinghouse at this place.

David Brillhart

David, son of Samuel and Magdalene Danarin Brillhart, was married to Miss Lowe, second wife, Miss Flick. To them six children were born: Katherine, Elizabeth, Isaac, Lydia, John, Charles.

Catherine Brillhart Bosserman

Katherine Brillhart Bosserman

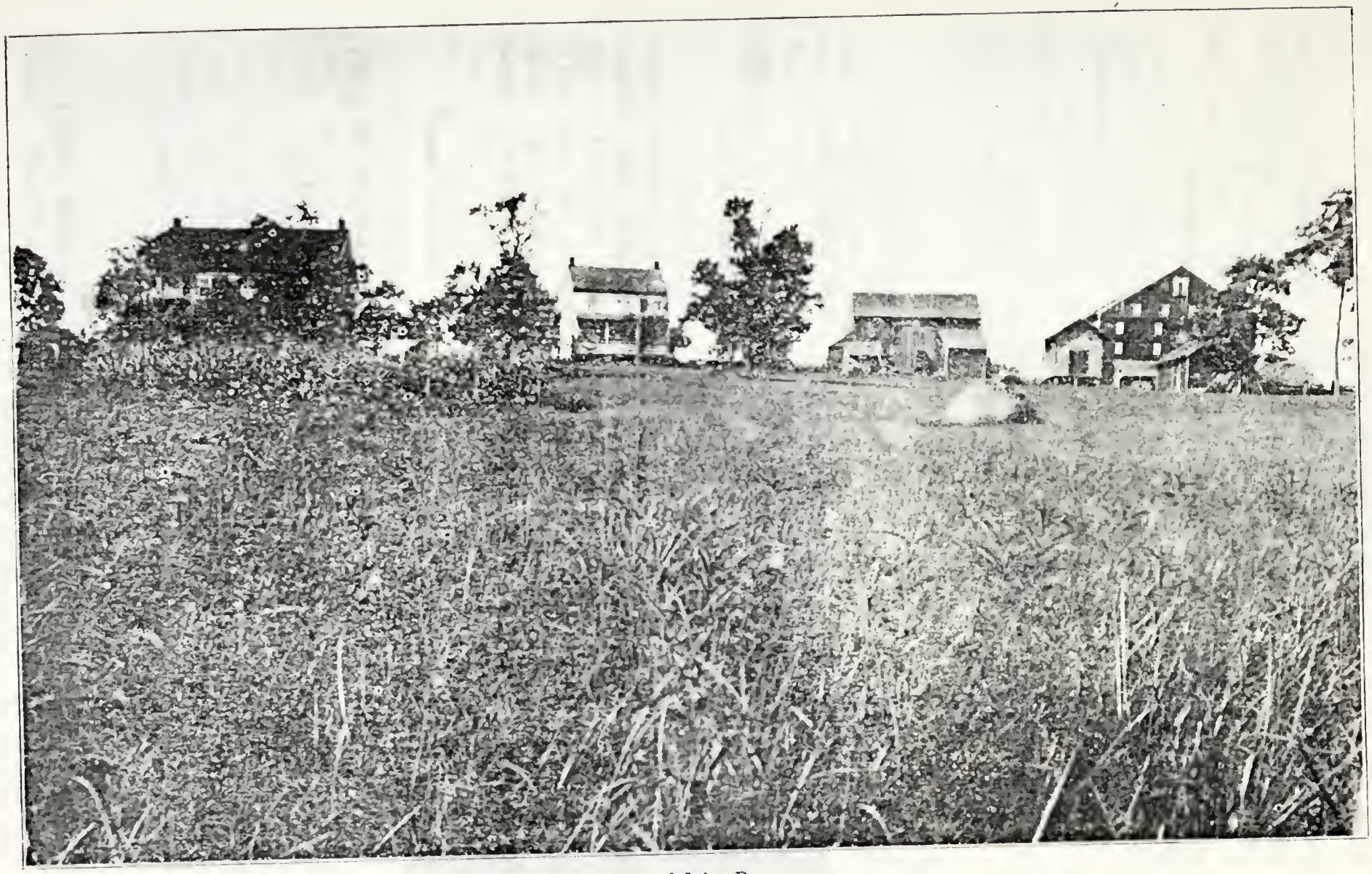
Katherine Brillhart, daughter of David and —— Lowe Brillhart, was married to John Bosserman, and their children were: Lewis, John, David, Anna, Mary, and Leah.

Lewis W. Bosserman married Emma Border. They had one child, Emma, married to Wm. Harlacker. Their children were: Irene, Mabel, Farmer, Ruth, John, Harland, and Walter.

Lewis Bosserman married a second wife, Sue Gochenour, and their children are: Grace, Alice, Elmira (dead), John (dead), Josephine, Lovina, and David married to Margie Rights. Their children are: Grace V., Catharine E., Robert L., Dortha E., Eva V.

John B. Bosserman married Catherine Gochenour. Their children

John Bosserman and Family



The Farm of John Bosserman

are: W. M. Bosserman, Milton, Pa., not married; Ellen Bosserman, married to James G. Markley; Idella Bosserman (dead); Amanda Bosserman.

David B. Bosserman is dead. He married Anna Mary Sunday. They had no children.

Mary Bosserman was married to Tempel M. Brenneman, Mt. Joy, Lancaster Co., Pa. Their children are: Emma Brenneman (dead), John Lincoln Brenneman (dead), Della Catherine, married H. W. Hartman, Lancaster, Pa.

Leah Bosserman married E. B. Smith (dead). Emma Bosserman died small.

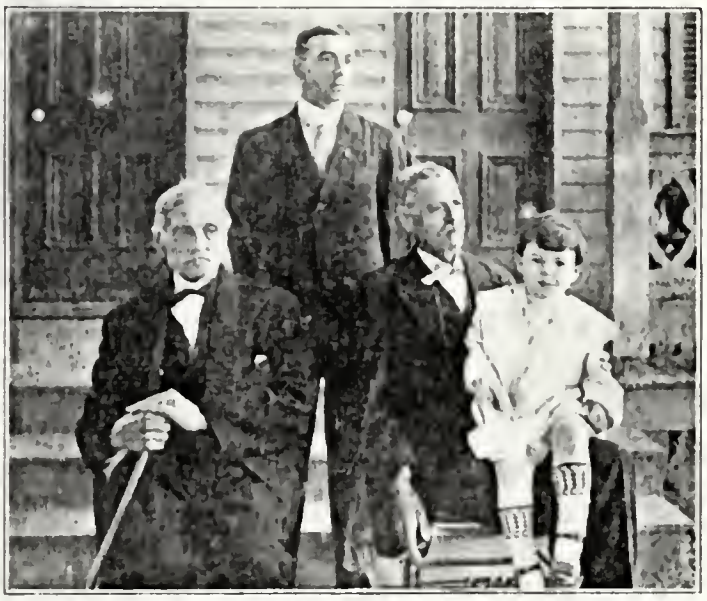
Anna Bosserman married Mr. Chester at Harrisburg. Children: Robert (dead), Viola (dead), Catherine (dead).

Elizabeth Brillhart Gentzler

Elizabeth Brillhart, daughter of David Brillhart of Manchester, Md., was married to Geo. Gentzler. Their children were: Peter, Philip, Solomon, Isaac, Polly, Kate, Susan, married to James Leas.

Isaac Brillhart

Isaac Brillhart, son of Isaac Brillhart, of Manchester, Md., was married to Catherine Becker. They had six children: David M., Charles, Joseph, Edmund, Franklin, and Alvin.



Four Generations—Isaac, Charles, Son and Grandson

David Brillhart

David Brillhart, son of Isaac Brillhart, married Ida Caltrider. To them were born nine children: Etta Michael; William, married to Laura Myers; Earl C., married to Annie Fushman (two children, Edgar and Ida); David, married to Bertha Bortner; Mary, married to Charles Brown (one child, Elizabeth); Harry, married to Nannie Barber (one child, Austin); Mollie, married to Charles Barnhart (one child, Iona); Lawrence, and Russell.

Charles Brillhart

Charles Brillhart, son of Isaac Brillhart, was married to —— Frankfelter. They had five children: Sarah, Bessie, Dora, Charles, Willis mar-

ried to Miss Wells (five children, Walter, Elizabeth, Charles, Harriett and Rachel).

Joseph Brillhart

Joseph Brillhart, son of Isaac Brillhart, was born in 1803. He was a

Home of Joseph Brillhart

farmer and blacksmith and in 1837 he bought a farm in North Hopewell Township, York Co., Pa. He was married to Elizabeth Strayer. They

Joseph and Elizabeth Strayer Brillhart

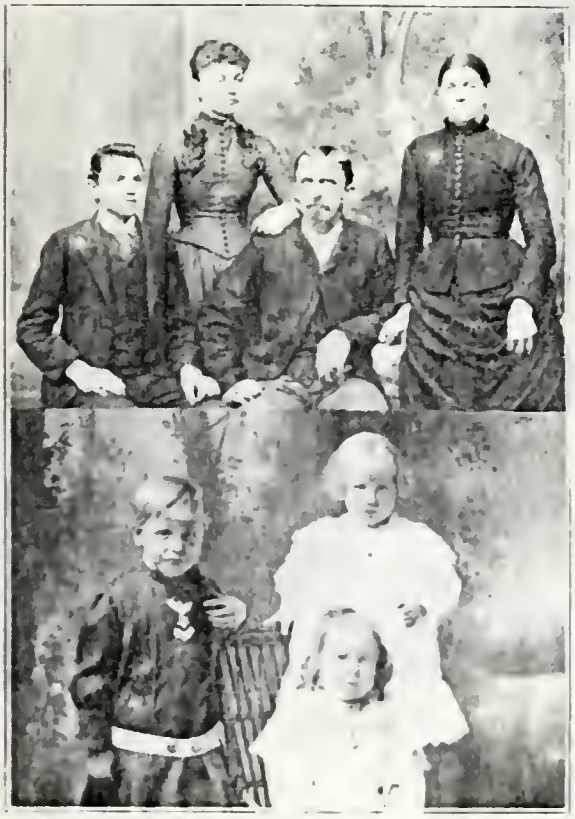
had seven children: John, Mary, Noah, Jacob, Joseph, Elizabeth, and Catherine. Elizabeth died young.

Elizabeth Brillhart

John and Mary Ann Gimmel Brillhart

John Brillhart

John Brillhart, son of Joseph Brillhart, was married to Mary Gimmel. They had nine children: Ahulto married to Gregg (three children: Mary,



Sarah Brillhart Wise and Family and Grandchildren

George, and James); Mary; Matilda; Susan; William, married to Nettie ——; Robert N., married to Maggie Snyder (eight children: Orelda, Berrie, James, Ella, Harry, Jacob, Carl, Reed); Harry; Joseph; and John.

Mary Brillhart Shaffer

Mary Brillhart, daughter of Joseph Brillhart, was married to Levi Shaffer. They had one child, Samuel, married to Miss Wolf.

George Gregg and Wife

Levi and Mary Brillhart Shaffer

Joseph H. Brillhart

Joseph Brillhart

William Brillhart and Family

Mary Elizabeth Brillhart Fishal and Family

Noah S. Brillhart

Noah S. Brillhart, son of Joseph and Elizabeth Strayer Brillhart,

Noah Brillhart and Wife

Harry Brillhart

married Isabella Diehl. To this union the following children were born:

James Clarence, died in infancy.
Hylas Clyde, born Aug. 3, 1880.
Irvine Hunter, born 1882, teacher; died 1904.
Harry Lester, born 1884, physician, Jacksonville, Fla.
Bessie Gertrude, born 1889; died in 1900.
Chester Roy, born 1890, farmer, Stewartstown, Pa.

Hylas Clyde Brillhart

Hylas Clyde Brillhart was born Aug. 3, 1880, on his grandfather's farm which later became his father's, in North Hopewell Township, York County, Pa.

From 1896 to 1901, he taught in the public schools of the township and attended various select schools. In the fall of 1901, he entered the York County Academy and there prepared for college. In September, 1902, he entered Pennsylvania College at Gettysburg from which he graduated in 1906. In the fall of the same year, he entered the Theological Seminary of the Lutheran Church at Gettysburg from which he graduated in 1909. In December he accepted an invitation to become supply pastor of the St. Paul's Lutheran Church at Leetonia, Ohio. May 1, 1910, he accepted a call to become the regular pastor which position he still holds.

On January 1, 1914, he was united in marriage with Miss Lena Belle Weaver of Leetonia, Ohio. Margaret Isabella, their only child, was born Dec. 4, 1915.

Jacob Brillhart

Jacob Brillhart, son of Joseph and Elizabeth Strayer Brillhart, was

H. C. Brillhart and Family

Jacob and Elizabeth Venus Brillhart

married to Elizabeth Venus. They had four children: Edward L., Ellen, Minnie, and Jacob, who died in infancy.

Edward L. Brillhart

Edward L. Brillhart, a son of Jacob and Elizabeth Venus Brillhart, was born in 1860. After acquiring his education he was engaged in the lumber business. Later, in 1900, he increased his line of business by adding builders' supplies. He married Miss Eliza Klinefelter. To them eleven children were born: Fannie, Ella, Emma, Ona, Harry, Sue, Edna, Anna, Blanche, Edward and Ethel. One died in infancy. The oldest daughter, Fannie, was married to W. H. Fraley. They live in Baltimore, Md. Her husband is employed in the Fidelity and Deposit Company, a banking institution. They have one child, Elizabeth.

Ella May Brillhart was married to H. L. Neuhans, who is in the automobile business in Reisterstown, Md. To them was born one son, Harry Edward.

Emma Brillhart was married to C. F. Myers, and lives in Baltimore,

Edward L. Brillhart and Family

Home of E. L. Brillhart

Md. He has charge of the claim department of a very large laundry. They have two children, Harry B., and Margaret.

Ona Brillhart, is at home.

Harry V. Brillhart is employed by the Fidelity Company.

Sue Brillhart is bookkeeper for a manufacturing company in Baltimore, Md.

Edna Brillhart is employed at bookkeeping with the Newark Shoe Co., of Baltimore, Md.

Anna, Blanche, Edward L. Jr., and Ethel are at home.

Ellen Brillhart Westerman

Ellen, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth Venus Brillhart, was born in 1862. After her school days she married Christian Westerman and they live at Slate Hill, York Co., Pa. He is a prosperous lumber merchant, and an extensive farmer. Their family of five children are as follows: Harry, married to Louisa Barnett, William, James, Rhoda, and Guy, married to Miss Ethel Griffith. To them were born two children, James and Hazel.

Minnie Brillhart Pomraning

Minnie, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth Brillhart, after acquiring her education, married Charles Pomraning. They live within a few miles of Slate Hill, Pa. She conducts a woman's millinery and supply store, and is doing a fine business. They have two children: Elizabeth and Esther.

William and Catherine Brillhart Bartner

Catherine Brillhart, the youngest daughter of Joseph Brillhart was married to William Bartner.

Edmund Brillhart, son of Isaac and Catherine Becker, was married to Miss Helrick. To them were born three children: Isaac, Paul and Charles.

Franklin Brillhart, son of Isaac and Catherine Brillhart was married to Margaret ——. They had five children: Carrie, Albert, Charles, married to Annie Reed, John, married to Bertha Loote, Ernest.

Alvin Brillhart, son of Isaac

and Catherine Brillhart, was married and had two children: Clarence and Harold.

Lydia Brillhart Sullivan

Lydia, daughter of David Brillhart, was married to Uriah Sullivan. To them six children were born: David, Noah, Mary, Edward, Charles, Liddie.

David was married to Miss Zepp. They had four children: Charles, Andrew, Elizabeth, and Sadie.

Noah was married to Mary Warehime. They had five children: Cora, Charles, Holten, Paul, William.

Mary was married to Mr. Yingling. They had two children: Charles and Mary.

Edward was married to Amanda Greider. They had four children: Flavius, Ada, Curtis, and Harry.

Charles was married to Miss Frock. Three children: Howard, Daisy, and Herbert.

Liddie was married to Mr. Bixler.

John Brillhart

John Brillhart (1810-1890), son of David Brillhart, was married to Elizabeth Stambaugh. To them were born nine children: Michael S., John, Isaac, Leah, Anna, David, Mary, Sarah, and Charles, who died young.

Leah Brillhart Leese

Leah Brillhart married Edward Leese. They had three children: Anna Frock, Maggie Sterner, and Carrie Hollinger.

Anna Brillhart was married to Mr. Myers. They had three children: Charles, Amelia, and Theodore.

David Brillhart

David Brillhart, son of John and Elizabeth Brillhart, when a young man worked in a shoemaker's shop for two years. He then began to teach school in winter and pursued his studies in summer. In spite of all obstacles he acquired a good education and graduated from Western Maryland College. He had charge of the public schools of Reistertown,

Conrad and Sarah Bri'lhart Negel—Family Reunion

Md. In 1872 he moved to Lathrop, Mo., and assumed charge of the schools there. Later he entered the hardware business. He was married to Ella Stuckey. They had three children: Rena, David Glenn, and Jessie.

Rena was married to Frank L. Porter. They have one child, Martha.

David Glenn Brillhart was born July 24, 1892. He has always resided in Lathrop, Mo., except when he attended the University of Missouri, of which he is a graduate. Nov. 16, 1916, he was married to Vedia Caroline Smith of Mason, Texas. They have one child, Mary Ellen, who was born Feb. 28, 1918.

Jessie Brillhart died Oct. 27, 1891.

Mary Brillhart was married to Henry Gruver. They had eight children: Charles, George, Harry, John, Carrie, Elsie, Bertha, and Annie.

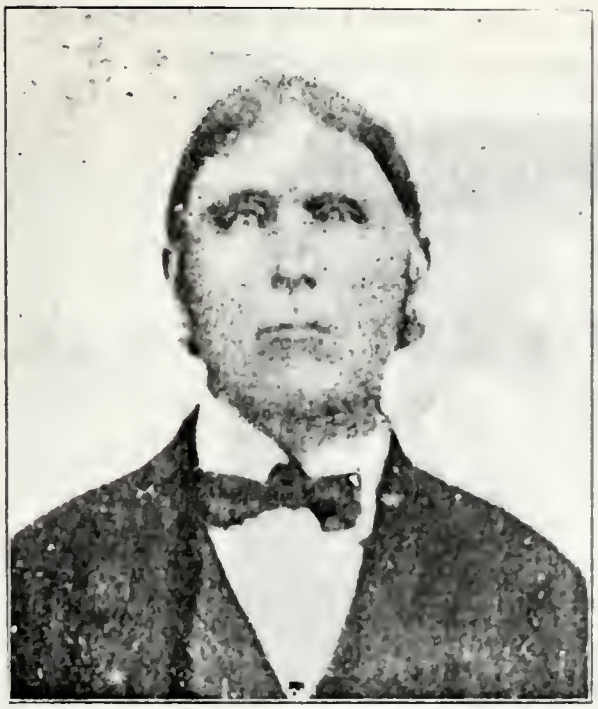
Henry and Emma Shearer

Sarah Brillhart was married to Conrad Negel. They had eleven children: Albert, Emma Shearer, Frederick, Sarah Dienst, Mary Burgoom, Margaret Bates, Conrad, William J., Edgar, Cora Crall, Barbara Hoover.

Samuel Brillhart

Samuel Brillhart, son of Samuel and Magdalene Danarin Brillhart, was married to Catherine Freed. He was a farmer and raised a large family. The names of the children are as follows: David, Daniel, Rebecca, Jessie, Elizabeth, John, Jacob, Adam, Joseph, Lena, Polly, Samuel, Peter, Esther.

David Brillhart, son of Samuel and Catherine Freed Brillhart, was married to Lydia Hamme. They lived in York Co., Pa. To them were



David Brillhart

Lydia Hamme Brillhart

born the following children: Sarah, married to John Smith; Catherine, Edward, David, Louisa.

Sarah Brillhart was married to John Smith. They had four children: Jane; Jacob; Alice, married to John Kunkle, five children; John, married to Hattie Kunkle, nine children. They lived in Dover Township, York Co., Pa.

John and Sarah Brillhart Smith

Edward Brillhart

Edward Brillhart was born March 27, 1840. He was the son of David Brillhart and Lydia Hamme Brillhart of York Co., Pa.

In November, 1862, he was married to Rebecca Smith of York Co.,

Edward Brillhart and Family

Pa. Rebecca Smith was born June 27, 1837. Unto them were born the following children: Emma Catherine Brillhart, Oct. 26, 1863; William Ellsworth Brillhart, April 26, 1865; Mary Jane Brillhart, Oct. 22, 1866;

W. E. Brillhart, Wife and Daughter

Ida Amanda Brillhart, Sept. 26, 1869; Edward Charles Brillhart, Feb. 27, 1871; Anna Minerva Brillhart, Nov. 4, 1873; Lydia Alverta Brillhart,

Aug. 16, 1874; Jacob Calvin Brillhart, Nov. 20, 1876; one son Clayton;

Jacob Brillhart and Family

Lillie Alice Brillhart, April 14, 1878; Minnie Rebecca Brillhart, Aug. 9, 1881; and three died small.

Clayton Brillhart and Wife

Marcellus Livingston and Family

Emma Catherine married Mr. Livingston. One son, Marcellus.
Ida Amanda married Mr. Grover. They have one child.
Anna Minerva married Mr. Spangler.

Lydia Alverta married Henry Kohr.
Lillie Alice married John Fickes.
Minnie married Winfield Bott. Two children.

Gertrude Spangler

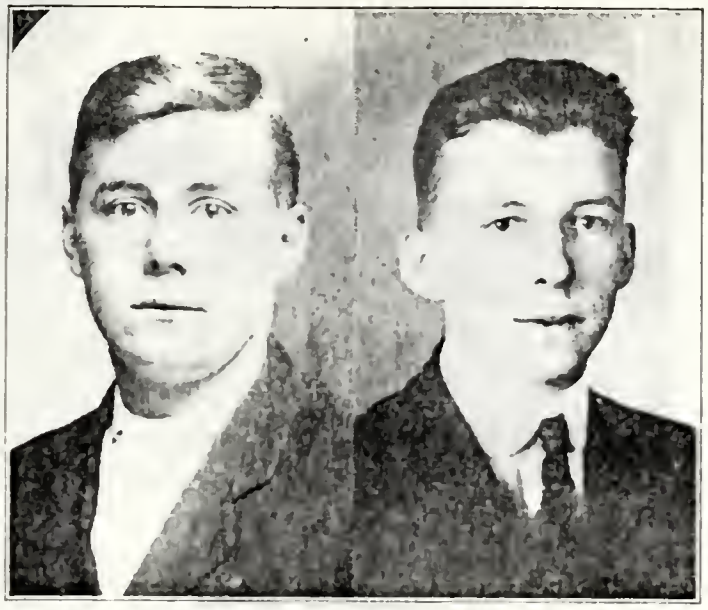
Virginia Spangler Bushey

Ida Grover and Child

Henry and Lydia Brillhart Kohr

Annie Brillhart Spangler

Winfield and Minnie Brillhart Bott



Cleon and William Brillhart

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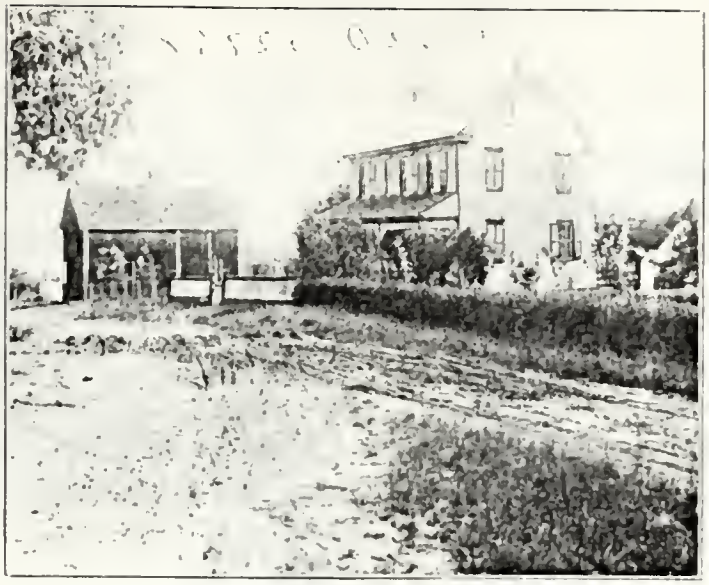


Home of David Brillhart

David Brillhart

David Brillhart, son of David and Lydia Hamme Brillhart, was married twice: to Annie —— and Dora ——. We have no record of any children. He lives on a farm near Dover, Pa.

David Brillhart and First and Second Wife

Daniel and Catherine Gross Brillhart

Daniel Brillhart

Daniel Brillhart, a son of Samuel and Catherine Freed Brillhart, a

grandson of Samuel and Magdalene Danerin Brillhart, was born in York County, Pa., in 1806.

His young years were filled with much energy, though his school privileges were not the best.

At an age of 20 years, he united in marriage with Catherine Gross. He had worked for Mr. Gross and there got acquainted with Miss Catherine Gross of Manchester, Pa., and later married her. To them were born three children: Samuel, Leah, and Daniel.

After some years, his wife passed from work to reward, and later he married Elizabeth Doll. To them one son was born, John D.

His life was noted for the hospitality and love he showed to all around him. He, like all other pioneers, labored and toiled day after day, to get his home shaped up for the future comforts and care of his little family.

Samuel Brillhart

Samuel Brillhart, a son of Daniel and Catherine Gross Brillhart, grandson of Samuel Brillhart, and great-grandson of Samuel Brillhart, was born in 1840.

Samuel and Elizabeth Hershey Brillhart

About 1861, he married Miss Elizabeth Hershey and to this union two children were born: Lillie and Daniel W.

He lived to a quite old age, retired in his sixties, and lived in Jefferson, Pa., until he died. He owned 208 acres of land.

Lillie, his daughter, married Henry Ramer and they had one daughter Annie, and she married Peter Gruber.

Daniel W. Brillhart, his son, married Emma Baker of Big Mount, York County, Pa. They have a large family: Samuel, Annie, Elsie, Daniel, Curtis, Jerry, George, and two who died in infancy.

Daniel Brillhart

Daniel Brillhart, a son of Daniel and Catherine Gross Brillhart, grandson of Samuel Brillhart, was born 1842, and was a bright lad. In his young years, he acquired his education and became an industrious young man.

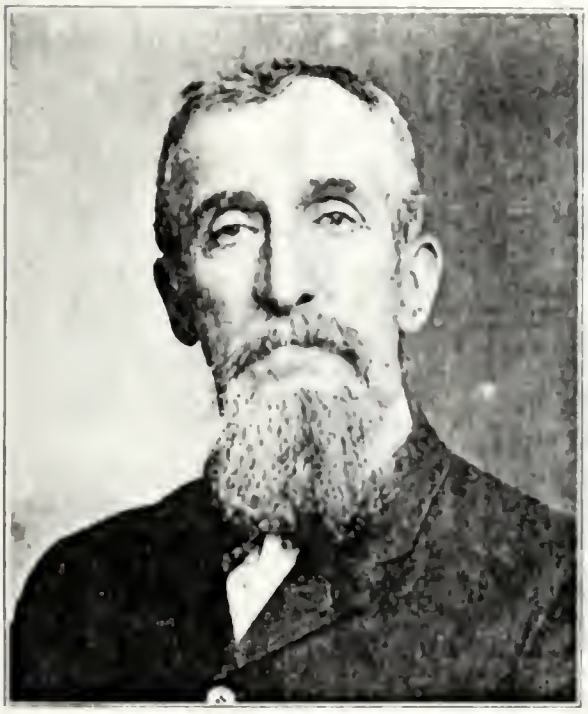
He married Miss Lydia Lauer and to them were born two children: Jesse and Clara. Jesse died when young.

Daniel was a practical farmer and became quite wealthy, and moved

Daniel Brillhart and Wife

Clara Brillhart

to York, Pa., on retiring from the farm. They are both dead. Clara still lives at the home in York, Pa.



William F. Maul

Leah Brillhart Maul

Leah Brillhart Maul

Leah Brillhart, daughter of Daniel and Catherine Gross Brillhart, was born Nov. 9, 1845, in York County, Pa.

In the year 1866, Dec. 20, she was united in marriage to William F. Maul. He was born June 5, 1840. To them were born eight children, as follows:

Milton Henry, born Oct. 10, 1868.
Arnie Jane, born Feb. 12, 1870.
Ameta Catherine, born June 24, 1871.
Minnie Ellen, born Dec. 31, 1872.
Mary Alice, born Dec. 15, 1874.
Lillie Rosa, born Nov. 13, 1877.
Two died in infancy.

Her short married life of 13 years was sprinkled with many trials but her Christian hope enabled her to enjoy the sunlight of God's love.

On April 14, 1879, she passed from work to reward. Her loving disposition was appreciated by many neighbors and friends.

Milton Henry Maul

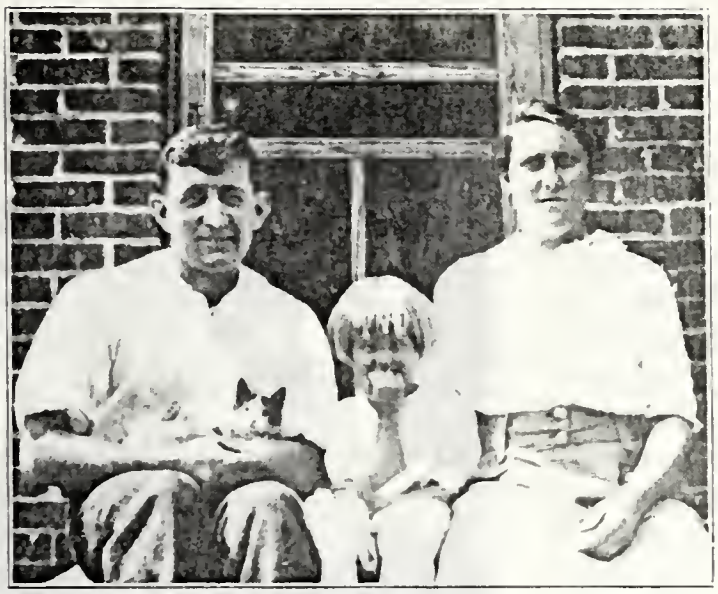
Milton Henry Maul was born on Oct. 10, 1868. He married Jennie C. Spahr and they had five children. Their names are as follows: Emory S., Annie M., William J., Jennie M., and John Milton. Their address is Thomasville, York Co., Pa., R. F. D. 2.

Emory S. Maul, the eldest boy, married Mary Oberlander and they have one child, Allen Wilson. They all reside in the same neighborhood.

Milton H. Maul and Family

Annie Jane Maul was born Feb. 12, 1870, and maried Crias Mummert. They have six children as follows:

Mabel M. Senft, 824 Wallace St., York, Pa.



Guy Senft and Family

James T. Mummert, 317 E. Walnut St., York, Pa.
Mildred A. Fehl, 728 Mason Ave., York, Pa.
Ivan M. Mummert, 957 E. Princess St., York, Pa.
William J and Allen H. Mummert died in infancy.

The father of this family died about 20 years ago. Annie Jane Maul is now Annie J. Lehman by her second marriage. Her address is Dover, Pa., R F. D. 4.

Ameta Maul Miller

Ameta C. Maul, daughter of William Maul and Leah Brillhart, married Henry R. Miller. To this union the following children were born:

Edman H. Miller, Spring Grove, Pa., carpenter, born 1890.
Milton H. Miller, Spring Grove, Pa., carpenter, born 1894.
Emory S. Miller, Spring Grove, Pa., farmer, born 1896.
John L. Miller, Spring Grove, Pa., farmer, born 1898.
Lucy E. Miller, Spring Grove, Pa., born 1891; died 1899.
William M. Miller, Spring Grove, Pa., farmer, born 1899.
Howard Miller, Spring Grove, Pa., born 1901; died 1901.
Raymond A. Miller, Spring Grove, Pa., hunter and trapper, born, 1902.
Minnie E. Miller, Spring Grove, Pa., born 1904.
Willis Miller, Spring Grove, Pa., born 1906; died 1906.
Maggie E., Spring Grove, Pa.

Maggie E. married Peter B. Stambaugh, Aug. 8, 1914. To this union the following children were born:

Blanton C., Spring Grove, Pa., born 1915; died 1917.
Bessie Maria, Spring Grove, Pa., born 1916.
Grace M., Spring Grove, Pa., born 1917; died 1918.

Minnie Maul Bupp

Minnie Ellen Maul was born Dec. 31, 1872, and was married to William C. Bupp of Washington, D. C., Aug. 23, 1900, at York, Pa., by Rev. Aaron Spangler. To this union one child was born, Mary Ellen Bupp, Jan. 2, 1902. Address is 641 Pickford Place, N. E., Washington, D. C. She died July 21, 1902, at the home of her great-aunt, Miss Lucy Maul, 1 North Harley St., York, Pa., and her age was 6 months and 19 days, and was buried at Greenmount Cemetery, York, Pa. Mr. Bupp was born Dec. 13, 1866; died Dec. 20, 1915.

William and Minnie Maul Bupp

Mary Alice Maul was born Dec. 15, 1874, and died May 31, 1876; aged 1 year, 5 months, and 16 days.

Lillie Rosa Maul was born Nov. 13, 1877, and died Dec. 1, 1878; aged 1 year and 18 days.

John D. Brillhart

John D. Brillhart, son of Daniel and Elizabeth Doll Brillhart was

John D. Brillhart and Wife

married to Mary E. Shriver. They had four children: Charles F., David S., Sarah Ellen, and John R.

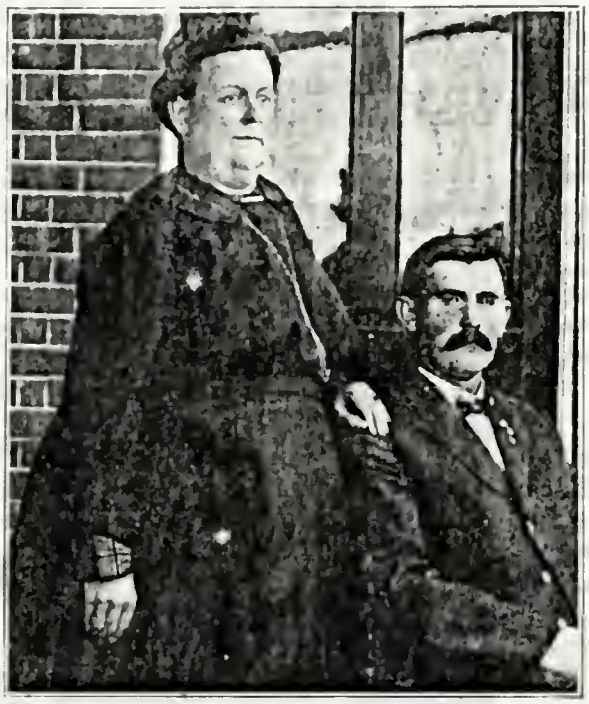
Charles F. Brillhart and Wife

Charles F. Brillhart

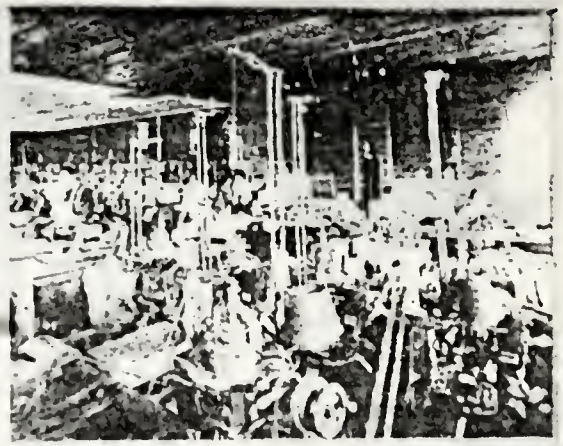
Charles F. Brillhart was married to Amanda Berg and to them was born one daughter, Annie C. Brillhart, who married J. Raymond Myers and to them were born two sons and two daughters: Elmer, Beatrice, Gordon, and Bernice.

David S. Brillhart

The second son is David S. Brillhart. He was born Feb. 7, 1877, in Dover Township, York Co., Pa. He lived at home with his parents until his father died. He followed butchering for eight years, and then started a hosiery mill in Dover, Pa., in which capacity he is still engaged. He has served four years as burgess of the borough of Dover. On Dec. 25, 1898, he married Annie C. Yost. They are living a happy life. They have no children. He is Secretary of the Brillhart Reunion of America.



D. S. Brillhart and Wife



THE DOVER HOSIERY, DOVER PA.

Upper—Examining the Logs of the Old Mennonite Church, near Hanover, Pa.
Center—D. S. Brillhart, Deacon Daniel Stump, and Charles Brillhart
Lower—Splitting off Pieces of Logs of Old Church

Sarah Brillhart Hassler

Sarah E. Brillhart, was born in Paradise Township, York County, Pa., on Oct. 24, 1878, the daughter of John D. Brillhart (deceased) and Mary Ellen Schriver Brillhart.

Samuel W. and Sarah Brillhart Hassler

Her mother, Mary Brillhart, lived with her until her death. She was a loving, kind Christian mother, neighbor, and friend.

Sarah acquired and finished her education in York City, Pa., and was employed by one of the manufacturing concerns in York.

She was married Nov. 14, 1901, in York, Pa., to Samuel Wesley Hassler and has lived in that city since. To this union there were no children.

John R. Brillhart

John R. Brillhart, son of John D. and Mary Ellen Brillhart, was married to Tillie Hamme of York, Pa. They live at York now and their children are: Mary, John, Charles, William and Daisy.

John R. Brillhart and Family

John Brillhart

John Brillhart, son of Samuel and Catherine Freed Brillhart was married to Leah Crone. To them were born two children: John W. and Mary, who married Mr. Hunter.

John W. Brillhart

John W. Brillhart, son of John Brillhart and Leah Crone Brillhart, married Sarah Jane Potts. To them the following children were born: Mary Catherine, and George William Brillhart.

George William Brillhart

George William Brillhart married Iva Cordaman, March 2, 1893. They live at Williamsport, Md., and he is a farmer. To them the following children were born:

Olive May Brillhart, Williamsport, Md.
Lloyd Brillhart, Williamsport, Md.
Mary Catherine Brillhart, married.

Jesse Brillhart

Jesse Brillhart, son of Samuel and Catherine Freed Brillhart, was

Joseph Brillhart and Wife

John Brillhart and Wife

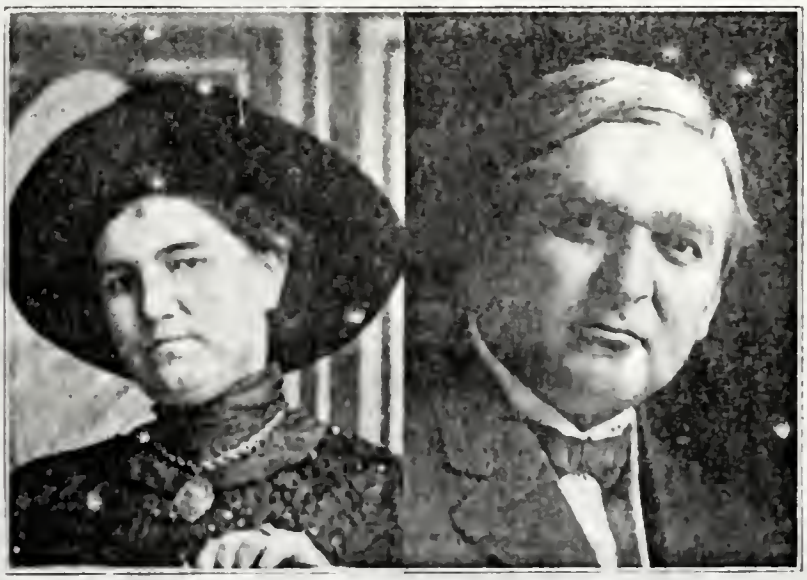
married twice, to Mary Custard and Miss Padget. He had two children: John who died young and Joseph, married to Ella Turner. They had four children: Harriett, John, Jesse, and Piercie.

Harriett Brillhart was married to Mr. Miller, Martinsburg, Va. They had no children.

John Brillhart was married to Miss Littleberg. They have two children: Ellen and Piercie.

Jesse Brillhart was married to Miss Myers. There were two children, Virgie and W. J. Bryan.

Piercie Brillhart, daughter of Joseph Brillhart, is at home in Martinsburg, W. Va., caring for her mother.



Wm. J. Bryan Brillhart and Wife

Mary Brillhart Kauffman

Mary Brillhart, (died Aug. 1, 1894, aged 69 years, 9 months), daughter of Samuel and Catherine Freed Brillhart, was married to Isaac Kauffman. They had eight children: Nancy, Christian, Jacob, Lizzie, Samuel, Amos, Mary, and Sarah.

Nancy Kauffman married George King; their children are: Amos, Mary, Jacob, Charles, Lizzie, Isaac, Harry and Phoebe.

Christian Kauffman was married to Emma Zeigler. They had the following children: Harry, Mary, Lillie, Nina, and Robert.

Jacob Kauffman married Annie Myers and they had the following children: Isaac, married; Edward, married; Fannie, married; Jacob, married; Annie, married; Minnie, married; Charlie, married; and Mary, married.

Lizzie Kauffman married Cornelius Paup, 726 W. Phila., St., York, Pa. Their children are: Loma, Burd, Alverta, married; and Lily, single.

Samuel Kauffman, unmarried.

Amos Kauffman married Annie Gross; no children.

Mary Kauffman married W. Harlacker (dead); no children.

Sarah Kauffman married Henry Zinn. One child, Millie, married to Chas. Altland.

Adam Brillhart

Adam Brillhart, son of Samuel Brillhart and Catherine Freed, married

Adam and Catharine Stambaugh Brillhart Annie Brillhart Strasbaugh and Husband

Catherine Stambaugh, and to them the following children were born:

Elizabeth Hoover, Abbottstown, Pa., retired.
Jacob S. Brillhart, Porters Sideling, Pa., retired.
John S. Brillhart, Hanover, Pa., R. D., farmer.
Susan Shearer, Spring Grove, Pa., farmer.
Lucy Hoke, Menges Mills, Pa., retired.
Sarah Hoover, York, Pa., retired.
Annie Yingling, Hanover, Pa., retired.
Amanda Strausbaugh, Menges Mills, Pa., retired.
Ellen Harbold, Spring Grove, Pa., farmer.
Jane E. Becker.
Edward S. Brillhart, Porters Sideling, Pa., born Sept. 16, 1867.

Elsie Strasbaugh and Husband

Norman Strasbaugh

John and Lucy Strasbaugh Kettleson

Ellen Brillhart Harbold

Elizabeth Brillhart Hoover

Elizabeth Brillhart Hoover

Elizabeth Brillhart married Washington Hoover. To them the following children were born:

Minnie Lehman, East Berlin, Pa., farmer, born 1880.

Sadie Brindle, Mechanicsburg, Pa., carpenter, born 1882.

Clayton Hoover, Philadelphia, Pa., bookkeeper, born 1884.

Margaret Hoover, Abbottstown, Pa., farmer, born 1886.

Annie S. Seller, New Oxford, Pa., teacher, born 1890.

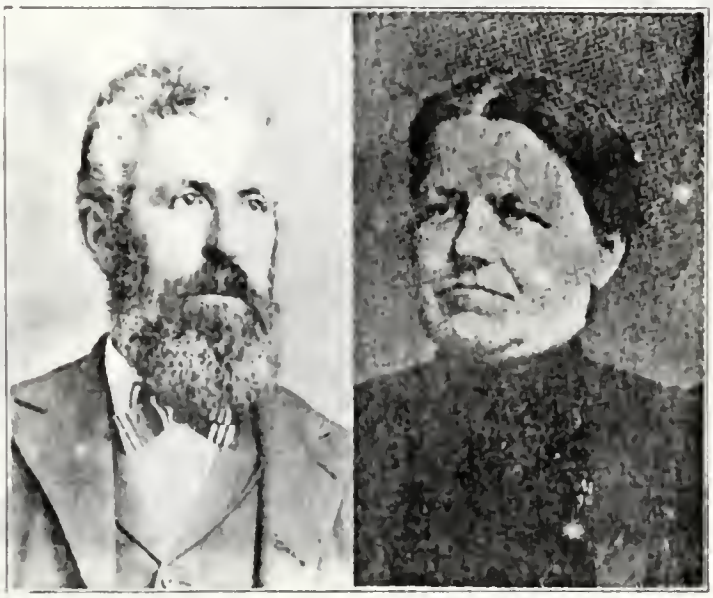
Roy S. Hoover, East Berlin, Pa., poultry, born 1898.

Mark Hoover, York, Pa.

Martin died when quite young.

Jacob S. Brillhart

Jacob S. Brillhart married Emma E. Lillich. Their children are:



Jacob S. Brillhart and Wife

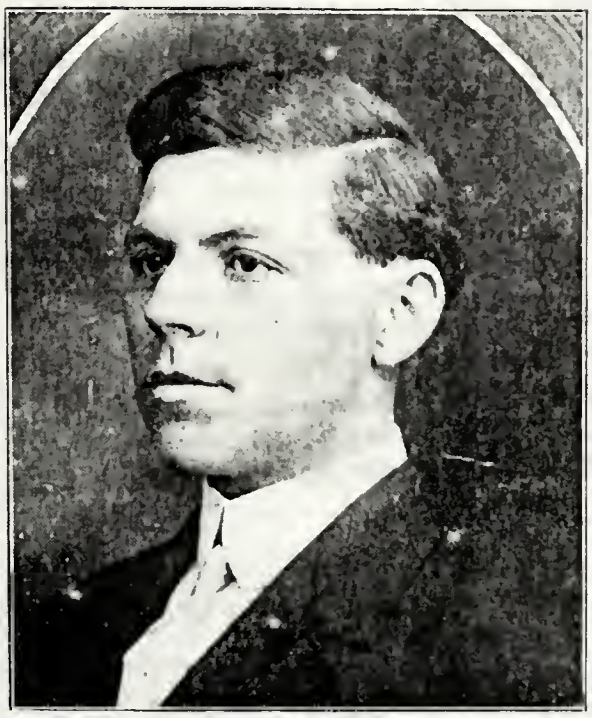
Charles Calvin (died young), Curtis Alvin, Harvey Norman (dead), Clayton Lewis (dead), Walter, Paul, Irwin, Jacob Austin, Bessie May (dead),

Nettie Virginia, Roy Franklin, Ada Rhea. Only two are married, Curtis and Walter. They live at Porters Sideling, Pa.

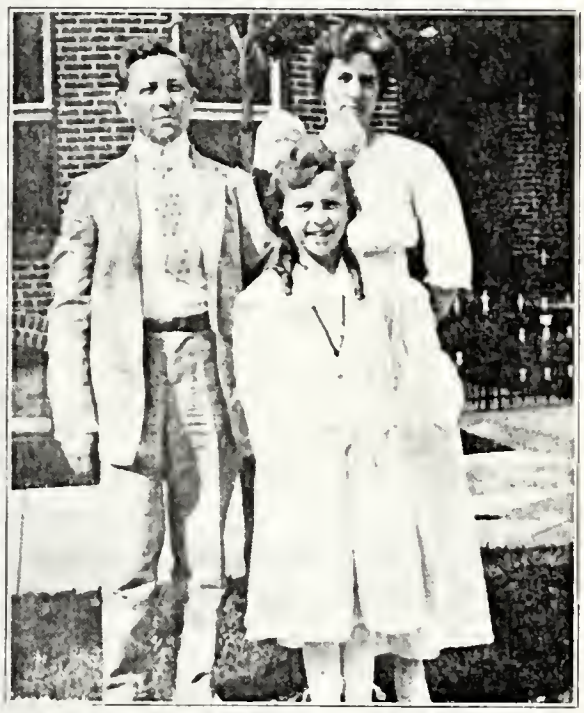
Home of Adam Brillhart

Curtis is married to Katie Kohr. They have one child, Ruth. They live in Hanover, Pa.

Walter is married and has one son, Russel.



J. Austin Brillhart



Curtis A. Brillhart and Family

J. Austin Brillhart, lives at 536 S. Hope St., Los Angeles, Cal., Bible Institute of L. A.

Irv'n Brillhart

John S. Brillhart

John S. Brillhart, son of Adam Brillhart and Catherine Stambaugh, married Sophia Senit. To them the following children were born:

Jennie, Hanover, Pa., born 1878.
Annie, Hanover, Pa., born 1880.
Wm. C., Braddock, Pa., born 1882.
Martin S., Hanover, Pa., born 1884.
Emma, Hanover, Pa., born 1890.
Esta, Harover, Pa., born 1892.
Bessie, Hanover, Pa., born 1894.

Martin S. Brillhart married Mabel Wise, Jan. 21, 1904. To them the following children were born:

Treva G., Hanover, Pa., born 1905.
Margaret R., Hanover, Pa., born 1907.
Rhoda M., Hanover, Pa., born 1910.

William C. Brillhart

William C. Brillhart, son of John S. Brillhart and Sophia Senit, married Agnes Albright, Oct. 12, 1902. To them the following children were born:

John C. Brillhart, Hokes, Pa., born 1902.
Eli W. Brillhart, Hokes, Pa., born 1904.
Mildred A. Brillhart, Hokes, Pa., born 1906.
Richard M. Brillhart, Hokes, Pa., born 1909.
Viola C. Brillhart, Hokes, Pa., born 1914.
Lester A. Brillhart, Hokes, Pa., born 1917.
Paul Brillhart, Hokes, Pa., born 1918.
All living.

Annie Brillhart Warner

Annie K. Brillhart, daughter of John S. Brillhart and Sophia Senft, maried Adam L. Warner. To them the following children were born:

Monroe Warner, Hanover, Pa., born March 9, 1906.
Effie M., married to Paul H. Wensel, Oct. 21, 1918. He is a farmer.

Ella Brillhart Harbold

Ella Brillhart, daughter of Adam Brillhart and Catherine Stambaugh, married Reuben Harbold To them the following children were born:

Ervin B. Harbold, York, Pa.
Chauncey B. Harbold, York, Pa.
Mrs. Mabel Spangler, Spring Grove, Pa.
Mrs. Edward Rice, Spring Grove, Pa.
Grace Harbold, Spring Grove, Pa.
Katie Harbold, Spring Grove, Pa.
Charles Harbold, Spring Grove, Pa.
Jennie Senft, Spring Grove, Pa.

Reuben Harbold and Wife

Jennie Harbold married George Senft, Oct. 11, 1918. To them the following children were born:

Edna Senft, Spring Grove, Pa., born 1911.
Charles Senft, Spring Grove, Pa., born 1917.

Susan Brillhart Shearer

Susan Brillhart, daughter of Adam Brillhart and Miss Catherine Stambaugh, married Jacob Shearer. To them the following children were born: Adam, Edwin, Ellen, Jennie, Nellie, and Monroe.

Monroe J. Shearer married Edith Diehl, April, 1914, and they live at Spring Grove, Pa. He is a farmer. To them the following children were born:

Daniel Leroy, Spring Grove, Pa., born Sept. 8, 1916.
Susan Marie, Spring Grove, Pa., born Feb. 6, 1918.
Katherine Leona, Spring Grove, Pa., born Aug. 9, 1920.

Adam Shearer married Elsie Graybill, July 16, 1911. They also live at Spring Grove, Pa., and he is a farmer. To them the following children were born:

Jacob A. Shearer, born Nov. 4, 1912, Spring Grove, Pa.

Stewart A. Shearer, born July 30, 1915, Spring Grove, Pa.

Edwin Shearer married Mary S. Senft, March 24, 1910. To them the following children were born:

Margaret M. Shearer, born Oct. 20, 1911, Spring Grove, Pa.
Pauline S. Shearer, born Aug. 29, 1913, Spring Grove, Pa.
Marcella M. Shearer, born Feb. 4, 1920, Spring Grove, Pa.

Jennie Shearer married Isaac Haar, July 16, 1911. To them one child was born, Esther Haar, Dec., 1915.

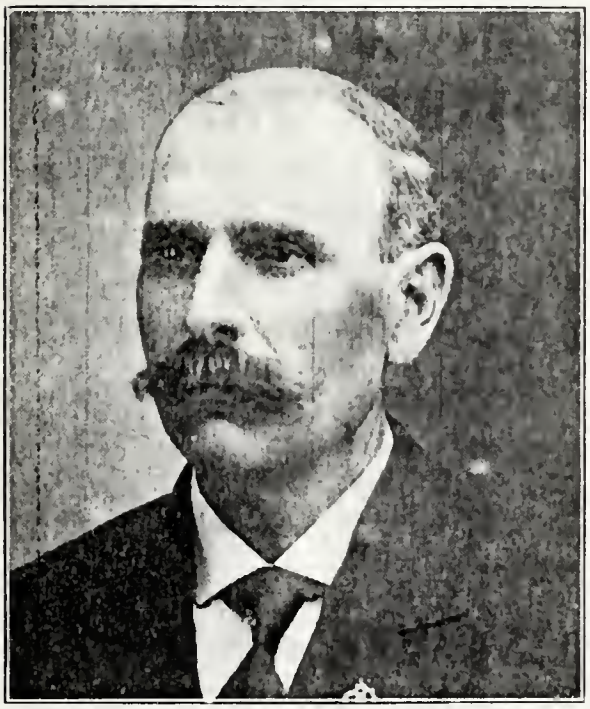
Ellen Shearer married Harvey S. Miller, June, 1912. To them one child was born, Lester H. Miller, Mar. 30, 1915. They live at Spring Grove, Pa., and he is a farmer.

Susan Brillhart, daughter of Adam Brillhart and Catherine Stambaugh, was later married to George V. Dubs. They had one child, Mellie J., who married G. A. Shearer, Oct. 8, 1895. They live at Glen Rock, Pa., and he is a farmer. To them the following children were born:

Gertie V. Kesslar, Spring Grove, Pa., born Oct. 12, 1896.
Bertha E. Shearer, Glen Rock, Pa., born Feb. 22, 1898.
Edna S. Shearer, Glen Rock, Pa., born Apr. 24, 1905.
Andrew R. Shearer, Glen Rock, Pa., born Jan. 3, 1908.

Edward S. Brillhart

Edward S. Brillhart, born Sept. 16, 1867, on the old homestead farm adjoining the town of Porters Sideling in Heidelberg Township, York



Edward S. Brillhart

Farm of E. S. Brillhart

Co., Pa., a son of Adam and Catherine Stambaugh Brillhart, was the eleventh child in a large family of twelve—four sons and eight daughters.

He was raised on the farm and educated in the common school of the Township, until at the age of 17 years when he took a short course in the York City Academy In later years he took several courses in correspondence schools, for which he holds diplomas. In the fall of 1888 he was united in marriage to Jennie S. Danner of Porters Sideling, Pa. To this union the following children were born: George D. (1895), Charles Clarence, and Bertha Irene Brillhart (1899). He followed tenant farming until 1904, when he bought his father's farm and continued farming until the spring of 1914 when he was elected as chief clerk to the Board of Commissioners of York County, Pa. He was reelected for the second term. In 1918 he was elected Justice of the Peace for Heidelberg Township, York Co., Pa. To this office he has been twice reelected, and is now serving in this capacity. He is also a dealer in farming implements, feeds, and fertilizer, at Porters Sideling, Pa. He is a man of Christian influence and much dependability, always ready to give a helping hand in time of need. He is one of the standing committee, and moderator of the Brillhart Reunion of America.

Charles and George Brillhart

Bertha Brillhart

George Brillhart

George Brillhart, son of Edward S. Brillhart and Jenny S. Danner, married Virginia Irene Becker, Jan. 11, 1913. He lives at Porters Sideling, and is a railroader. To this union the following children were born:

Edward B. Brillhart, born 1913, Porters Sideling.
Alfred W. Brillhart, born 1915, Porters Sideling.
Clyde Denris Brillhart, born 1917, Porters Sideling.

Jesse A. Becker and Family

Samuel Brillhart

Samuel Brillhart, son of Samuel and Catherine Freed Brillhart, was married to Mary Swisher. They had one child, Samuel, who was married to Jane Austin.

Samuel Brillhart and Wife

Samuel E. Brillhart

Samuel E. Brillhart, born 1842, was a son of Samuel and Mary Swisher Brillhart. He was born in Lewistown, Pa. After acquiring a common school education he enlisted in the Reg. 105 Pa. Volunteer Wild Cat Regiment. After returning home, he met with Miss Anna B. Austin, his life's companion. Later he settled in Reynoldsville, Pa. To this union were born five children: Harry E., Savilla M., Thomas P., Emma J., and Anna M. The three last mentioned passed away in infancy. Harry married Margaret Kerchaw. To them seven children were born: Harry, Helen, Myrtle, Margaret, Lucille, Samuel, Leone.

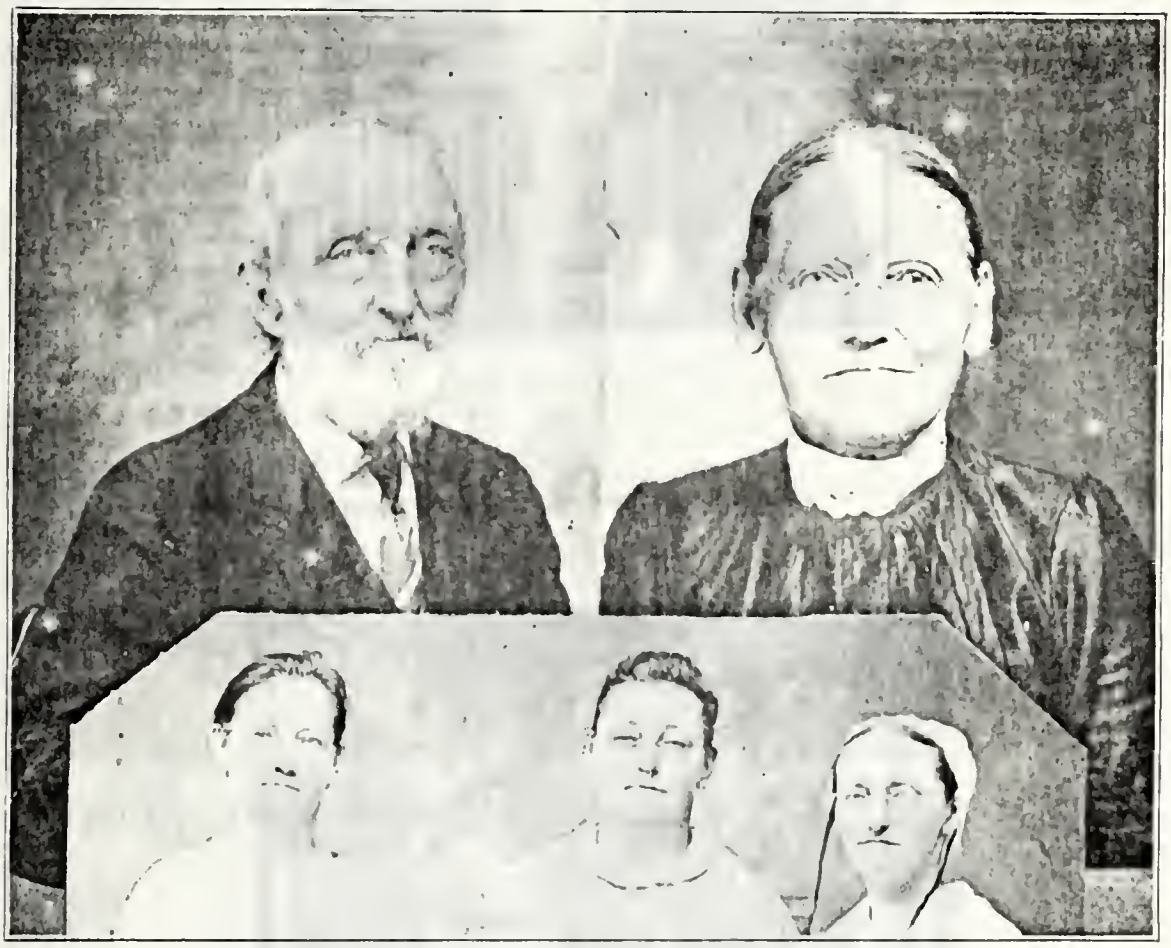
Savilla married Newton W. Drake. To them five children were born: Emma, Eleanor, Samuel, Ruth, and James. They all reside in Reynoldsville, Pa.

Peter Brillhart

Peter Brillhart, son of Samuel and Catherine Freed Brillhart, was married to Lydia Crist and had two daughters, Elizabeth and Rebecca. Elizabeth Brillhart married John Shell. Mr. Shell died and his widow lives at Columbia, Pa., with their children.

Rebecca Brillhart was married to Cornelius Klepper and they have three children living: Ellen, Lizzie, and William.

Ellen Klepper was married to John Bush and they had the following children: Charles, John, and Chauncey. Mr. John Bush died and his



Cornelius Klepper and Family

widow married Amos Fink. Mr. Fink died and his widow now lives in Baltimore, Md.

Lizzie Klepper married Charles Switzer and their children are: Kate Switzer, married to Mr. Eisenhart; Emma Switzer, married to Charles Toomey; Victor Switzer, and Frances Switzer, married to Ellis Meisenfelter.

William H. Klepper was married to Lucy Becker and their children are Eva, Charles C., Roy. William H. Klepper died and his widow, Lucy, married Grant Hollerbush.

Elizabeth Brillhart Shell

Elizabeth Shell, is the widow of John Shell, and daughter of Peter

John Shell and Wife

Brillhart. The children are as follows:

Mary Alice Shell married Harry Gemmel and their children are: Elmer, Bertha, Gertrude, John.

William and Elizabeth Shell Naylor and Family

Elizabeth Shell married William Naylor and their children are: Charles, Catherine, Susie, Verna, and Mary.

Maria Shell married William Crist and they had one child, William Crist.

Sylvester Frantz and Family

Ella Shell married Darius Crist and their children are: Pierce, Priscilla (married), Theodore, Rosella, Mervin, and Gladys.

Rebecca Shell married Louis Nelson and their children are Floyd and Gretna.

Vergie Shell (dead) married William Ott and their children are Ervin and Silva.

John Shell (dead) married Bertha Bricker and they had one child, John.

William Shell married Ruth Comp and their children are Ethel (dead), Elizabeth (dead), Ella, Milton, William.

Adam Shell married Lizzie Shealy. They had no children.

Jacob Shell, the oldest son, died 1873, living only 10 years.

Jacob Brillhart

Jacob Brillhart, son of Samuel and Catherine Freed Brillhart, was married to Sarah Hamme. They had the following children: Sarah Brill-

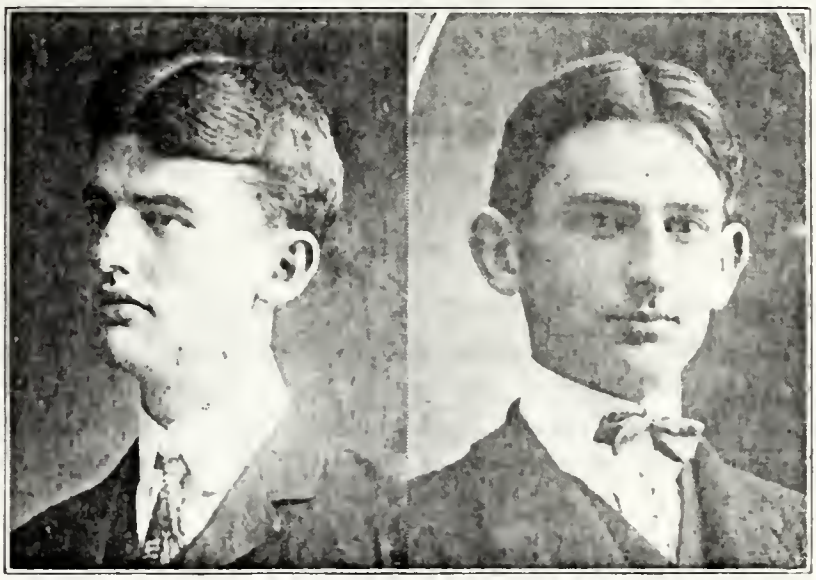
Jacob Brillhart and Family

hart, Martin V. Brillhart, Emeline Brillhart, Kate Brillhart, Albert Brill-

hart, Jane Brillhart, George Washington Brillhart, Amanda Brillhart, Alice Brillhart, Clayton J. Brillhart.

Martin Brillhart

Martin Brillhart was married to Annie Gross. Their children died small. Martin's second wife was Ellen Lauer and they had four children:



Charles and William Brillhart

Nellie, married to William Swartz (dead); Maggie Brillhart married to Geo. Stallman, York, Pa., cigar and tobacco dealer; William Brillhart, York, Pa., electrician by trade, married to Lucy Nagle of York, Pa.; Charlie Brillhart, Lieutenant in the U. S. Army, married to a lady from Washington, D. C.

John and Jane Gross Spangler and Family

Emeline Brillhart Gross

Emeline Brillhart, a daughter of Jacob Brillhart, was married to Adam Gross. They had children as follows: Jane, who was married to John Spangler, York, Pa., W. Market St.; Geo. W. Gross, Dover, Pa., married to Mary

Hinkel; Jacob Gross, West York, Pa., married Lizzie Holtzapple; Peter Gross, single, Dover, R. F. D. 10; Robert Gross, Dover, R. F. D. 1, married to Miss Crone of York, Pa.; Sallie Gross married to Mr. Laughman, East Berlin, R. F. D.; Alice Gross, East Berlin, R. F. D.

Kate Brillhart Spangler

Kate Brillhart, daughter of Jacob Brillhart, was married to William Spangler. Both are dead. Their children were: Sallie, married to Mr. Morro, McAdoo or Ringtown, Pa.; Jennie Spangler, married to Mr. Klingerman (She is dead and he lives at McAdoo, Pa.); Anna Belle Spangler, who died at the age of 18 years; Maggie Spangler, married to Joseph Long, Pa.; Wm. Spangler, single, McAdoo; Elder Spangler, Baltimore, married.

Albert Brillhart

Albert Brillhart, son of Jacob Brillhart, was married to Lydia Lichty. He died Dec., 1916. They had one son, Jacob Curbin Brillhart, who died when 14 years old; and two daughters, Daisy Brillhart, married to Allen Ziegler near York, New Salem, Pa.; Lottie Brillhart, married to Bertus Heiner of Dover, R. F. D. 1, living with Mrs. Albert Brillhart.

Sarah Brillhart Yeager

Sarah J. Brillhart, daughter of Jacob Brillhart and Sarah A. Hamme, married Samuel A. Yeager. To this union the following children were born:

- Mrs. Carrie Wackerman, York, Pa., born 1886.
- Chas. Yeager, York, Pa., born 1894; married to Emma Renaut.
- Blanche Yeager, York, Pa., born 1896.
- Gertie M. Yeager, Taneytown, Md., who married Mr. Markwood, Oct. 31, 1907. They have no children.

Mr. Markwood and Wife

George Brillhart

George Brillhart, son of Jacob Brillhart, for many years was in Texas. In his later years he returned for a short visit, to be again recognized by his brothers and sisters yet living. He is a man of some wealth,

Amanda Brillhart Fisher

Amanda Brillhart, daughter of Jacob Brillhart was married to George Fisher. Amanda is dead thirty or more years. Fisher's whereabouts are unknown.

Clayton J. Brillhart

Clayton Jacob Brillhart (dead), son of Jacob Brillhart, was married to Feba Christ. They had the following children: August Brillhart, Dover, Pa., married to Dorah Myers of Dover; Nellie Brillhart married to M. Stauffer of Spring Grove; and Minerva Brillhart, married to Paul Stover of Dover, Pa.

Alice Brillhart Stambaugh

Alice Brillhart, daughter of Jacob Brillhart, is married to Howard Stambaugh. They live at Atlantic Ave., York, Pa.

Abraham Brillhart

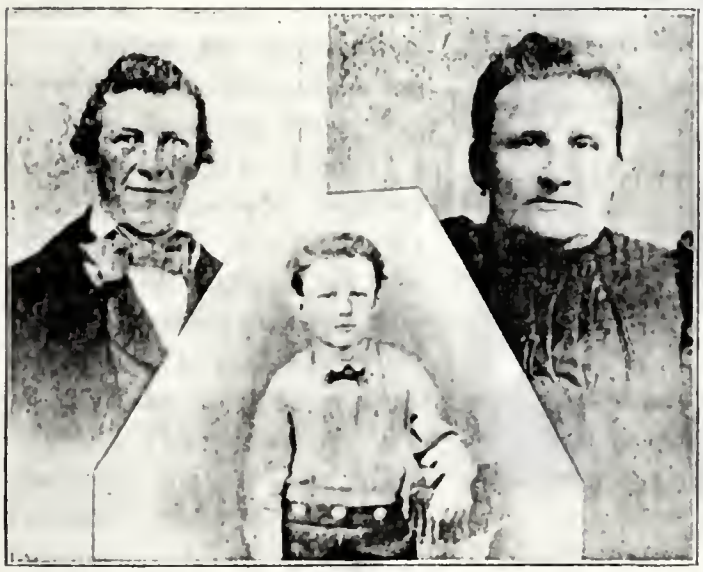
Abraham Brillhart, son of Samuel and Esther Smith Brillhart, was married to Eva Altru. They had one child, Samuel.

Samuel Brillhart

Samuel Brillhart, a son of Abraham and Eva (Altru) Brillhart, grandson of Samuel and Esther Smith Brillhart, was born 1795 and was amongst the early settlers in York County, Pa.

He was executive in his business ability and soon became a man of much value to all around him.

He met with a lady, Miss Margaret Plymyre, in 1820 and soon they were united in wedlock, and to this union nine children were born: Joseph, Rosie, Elizabeth, Jacob, John, Daniel, Samuel, Michael, and W. H. He raised his family in the fear of the Lord and passed from this life Aug. 17, 1845, leaving many friends.



Joseph Brillhart, Wife and Son

Joseph Brillhart

Joseph Brillhart, born at Loganville, York Co., Pa., March 16, 1833, was a son of Samuel and

Margaret Plymyre Brillhart. He was united in marriage to Sarah Reiker (born July 25, 1843; died Feb. 19, 1914) in the year 1862.

During their married life, they resided at Loganville and he was employed at the Feigley Ore Mine and served as day laborer among the farmers in that section. He also engaged in the mason trade.

Allen E. Bupp and Wife

He was a member of the Church of the Brethren at the time of his death. There were born to this union the following four children:

Emma Brillhart, born June 23, 1865; died Aug. 4, 1867.

Albert F. Brillhart, born April 24, 1867; died April 4, 1918.

Lucy Brillhart, born July 16, 1869; married to Allen E. Bupp.

Peter Brillhart, born Nov. 13, 1871; died Nov. 30, 1881.

He died Dec. 3, 1881, in the borough of Loganville, York Co., Pa., and was buried in the cemetery at Loganville.

Albert F. Brillhart

Albert F. Brillhart, son of Joseph Brillhart and Sarah Reiker, was born at Loganville, Pa., April 24, 1867, where he attended the public schools.

Later he moved to Dallastown, Pa., where he was married to Miss Rebecca Eberly in 1888.

He learned making cigars and in 1898, he became a partner in the cigar business with Michael Hose, trading under the name of the Dallas Cigar Company, which business was very successful under his management.

Albert F. Brillhart and Wife

In 1917, he decided to start in business for himself and from there on,

he did business under the name of Brillhart Cigar Company until his death. He died on April 4, 1918, leaving his widow. He had no children.

Jacob S. Brillhart

Jacob S. Brillhart, a son of Samuel and Margaret Plymyre Brillhart, a grandson of Abraham Brillhart (1763), was born May 25, 1825, in York County, Pa., and lived on a farm in Hopewell Township.

John and Mary Brillhart Trout

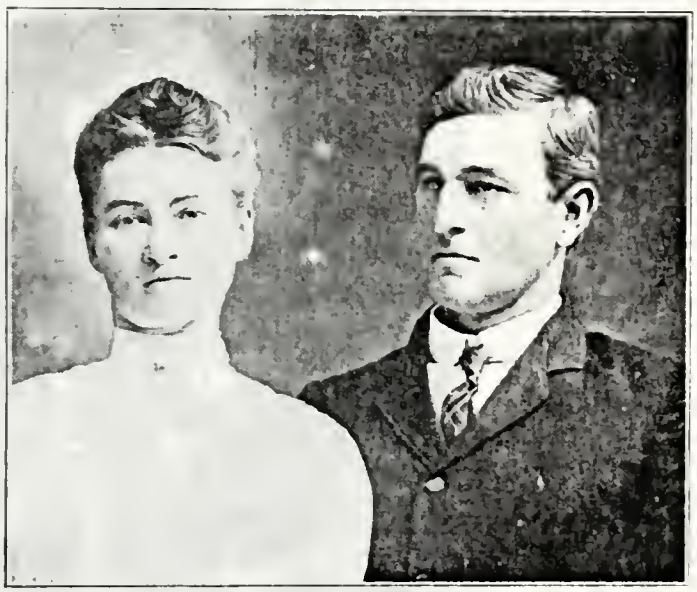
After he grew to manhood he married Sarah Myers and to this union were born four children: Mary, Amanda, Samuel, and Sarah.

His life as a farmer and laborer was one of much hard work, clearing and improving land for cultivation. He accumulated some wealth and lived a God-fearing life. He passed away at the early age of 58 years on Oct. 17, 1883. He was a loving father and kind neighbor.

Mary Brillhart Trout

Mary Brillhart was married to John Trout. To this union were born eight children: William, Adam, John, Alvin, Elias, Amanda, Sarah, and Mary.

Amanda Brillhart was married to Felix Brown.



Elias Trout and Wife

F. C. Hildebrand and Wife

Edward Trout and Wife

Felix and Amanda Brillhart Brown

Sarah Brillhart Greiman

Sarah Brillhart, daughter of Jacob S. and Sarah Myers Brillhart, was born in Hopewell Township, York County, Pa., Aug. 16, 1857.

Jacob and Sarah Brillhart Greiman

Her school years were shortened by her willingness to help those around her.

Later her parents moved to Paradise, York County, Pa., where she met with a young man, Jacob H. Greiman. After some length of time, their courtship bound their hearts and lives and on July 15, 1886, they were united in marriage. To this union were born three children: Charles, Amanda, and Jacob.

After the short life of six years this union was severed by the death of Mr. Greiman, April 10, 1892, leaving his beloved wife and little children to struggle through life's cares alone.

After some years had passed she met with Henry Flinchbough and united in marriage Jan. 22, 1901. They have a nice little farm and home in what is known as Dunkard Valley, York County.

Charles S. Greiman

Charles S. Greiman, son of Sarah Brillhart and Jacob H. Greiman, grandson of Jacob S. and Sarah Myers Brillhart, was born in the year 1887 in Hopewell Township, York County, Pa.

At the age of five years, his father departed from this life leaving the home fatherless and as he grew up, the cares of home duties and responsibilities rested more heavily on him, caring for his mother and younger sister and brother.

His aims in life were high and as he advanced in his common school education, he became a steady, faithful, young man.

At the age of 21, in the year 1908, he united in marriage with Miss Anna Lenhart. To this union was born one son, Charles Donald. They now reside in Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Amanda Greiman Hartman

Amanda Greiman, daughter of Sarah Brillhart and Jarob H. Greiman,

was born 1889, in Paradise, Hopewell Township, York County, Pa.

After some years of experience in the home of a widowed mother, she

Harry and Amanda Greiman Hartman

Lawrence M. Hartman

obtained a common school educatin and later became acquainted in social life with Mr. Harry Hartman and shared his affections. In the year 1911 they were united in marriage. To them was born one son, Lawrence M.

They now live on the old Hartman Homestead in Dunkard Valley, with bright hopes of a prosperous future.

Jacob H. Greiman and Wife

Jacob H. Greiman

Jacob H. Greiman, a son of Sarah Brillhart and Jacob H. Greiman, and grandson of Jacob S. and Sarah Myers Brillhart, was born in 1891, in Hopewell Township, York Co., Pa.

He was about one year old when his father died. He was cherished by his older brother and sister and during years of toil and care by his widowed mother. He was reared with Christian training.

After his school days were over, he became acquainted, loved, and later married Miss Mamie Huffman in the year 1912. To this union were born two daughters: Grace E., and Lillian M.

Grace and Lillian Greiman

He is the owner of a small farm and is engaged in the milk business at present. He is one of the promising young men of that Valley.

Michael Brillhart

Michael Brillhart, son of Samuel and Margaret Plymyre Brillhart, was married and was the father of four children: James, Daniel, George Henry, and Margaret.

Daniel Brillhart

Daniel Brillhart, son of Michael Brillhart, was married to Anna Wakley. Their children are: James, single, at home; John, married to Bertha Smith (their children are: Winfield, William, and Dorthea. They live at York, Pa.); Ephraim, single, at home; Mary, to Chance Slenker, York, Pa.

George Henry Brillhart

Geo. Henry Brillhart, son of Michael Brillhart, married Nellie Long, York, Pa. They have one child, Kate Brillhart, married to Amos Liphart.

Margaret Brillhart Kneisley

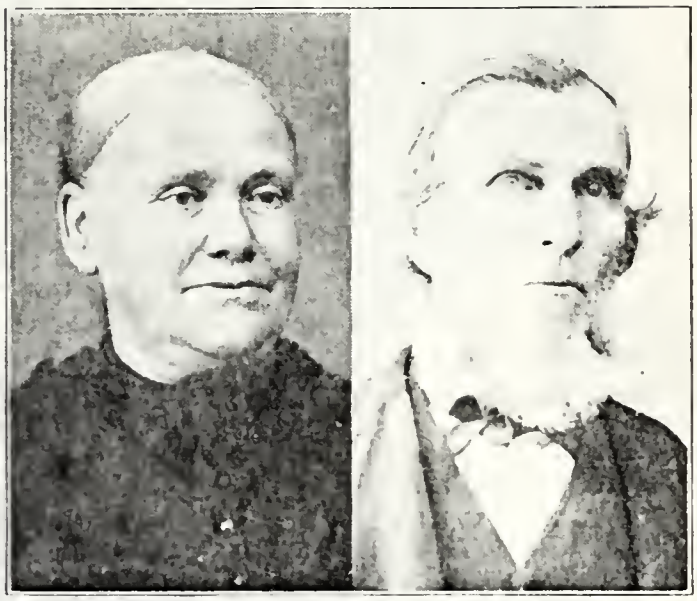
Margaret Brillhart, daughter of Michael Brillhart, married Frank Kneisley and their children are: Lillie, William, Harry, Mary, Helen, Mabel, Edward, and Dora.

Daniel Brillhart

Daniel Brillhart was born May 29, 1827, Springfield Township, York Co., Pa. He was the fourth son of Samuel and Margaret Plymyre Brillhart.

Daniel Brillhart was a laborer up to the time of the Civil War when he was drafted into Co. E., 166th Pa. Militia, Nov. 8, 1862, under Samuel E. Miller, his captain. He served 9 months, and was discharged July 28, 1863, at Harrisburg, Pa.

In 1865, he took up farming in Springfield Township, York Co., Pa., and in 1871 he purchased a farm in Windsor Township, York Co., Pa., where he farmed until 1891 when he retired from farming and then moved to Yoe, Pa., where he and his wife, Mary Dice, resided until her death in 1905. She was aged 71 years, 8 months, 21 days. After her death he resided with his daughter, Annie, who also lives at Yoe, Pa., where he remained until his death, Dec. 19, 1912. He was aged 85 years, 6 months, 20 days. The following children were born in the home:



Daniel and Mary Dice Brillhart

Elizabeth, married to George Knisley.
Sarah, born 1856; died 1859.
Charles, born 1861, Windsor, Pa., cigar maker.
Annie M., born 1865, Yoe, Pa.
Levi W., born 1867, Akron, Ohio.
Leah, born 1870; died 1870.
Daniel M., 1872; died 1918.

Elizabeth Brillhart Knisely

Elizabeth Brillhart, daughter of Daniel Brillhart and Mary Dice, married George Knisely and they live at Talmadge, O. To this union the following children were born:

Ida C. Knisely, born 1870; died 1916.
Lyman S. Knisely, born 1873; died 1877.
Ivan M. Knisely, born 1878; died 1888.
Claudia L. Knisely, born 1882.
Frank.

Frank Knisely

Frank Knisely married Mary Rahn and they live at Talmadge, Ohio. He is a blacksmith. To this union the following children were born:

Ida Knisely, born 1889, Kansas City, Kan., housekeeper.
Earl Knisely, born 1892, Rock Island, Ill., clerk.
George Knisely, died 1897.
Elsie Knisely, born 1897, Kansas City, Kan., housekeeper.
Ida Knisely married Huber Badeker, 1909.
Earl Knisely married Mabel Ingersoll, 1911.
Elsie Knisely married Virgil Satterwhite, 1914.

Claudia Knisely Middour

Claudia L. Knisely, married Charles Middour, Jan. 28, 1904. To them the following children were born:

George William, Talmadge, Pa., born 1905.
Myrtle Elizabeth, Talmadge, Pa., born 1908.
Claudia Iona, Talmadge, Pa., born 1911.
Harry Theodore, Talmadge, Pa., born 1913.
Sanford Knisely, Talmadge, Pa., born 1914.

Charles C. Brillhart

Charles C. Brillhart, son of Daniel Brillhart and Mary Dice, married Leah Ruby. To them the following children were born:

C. C. Brillhart and Family

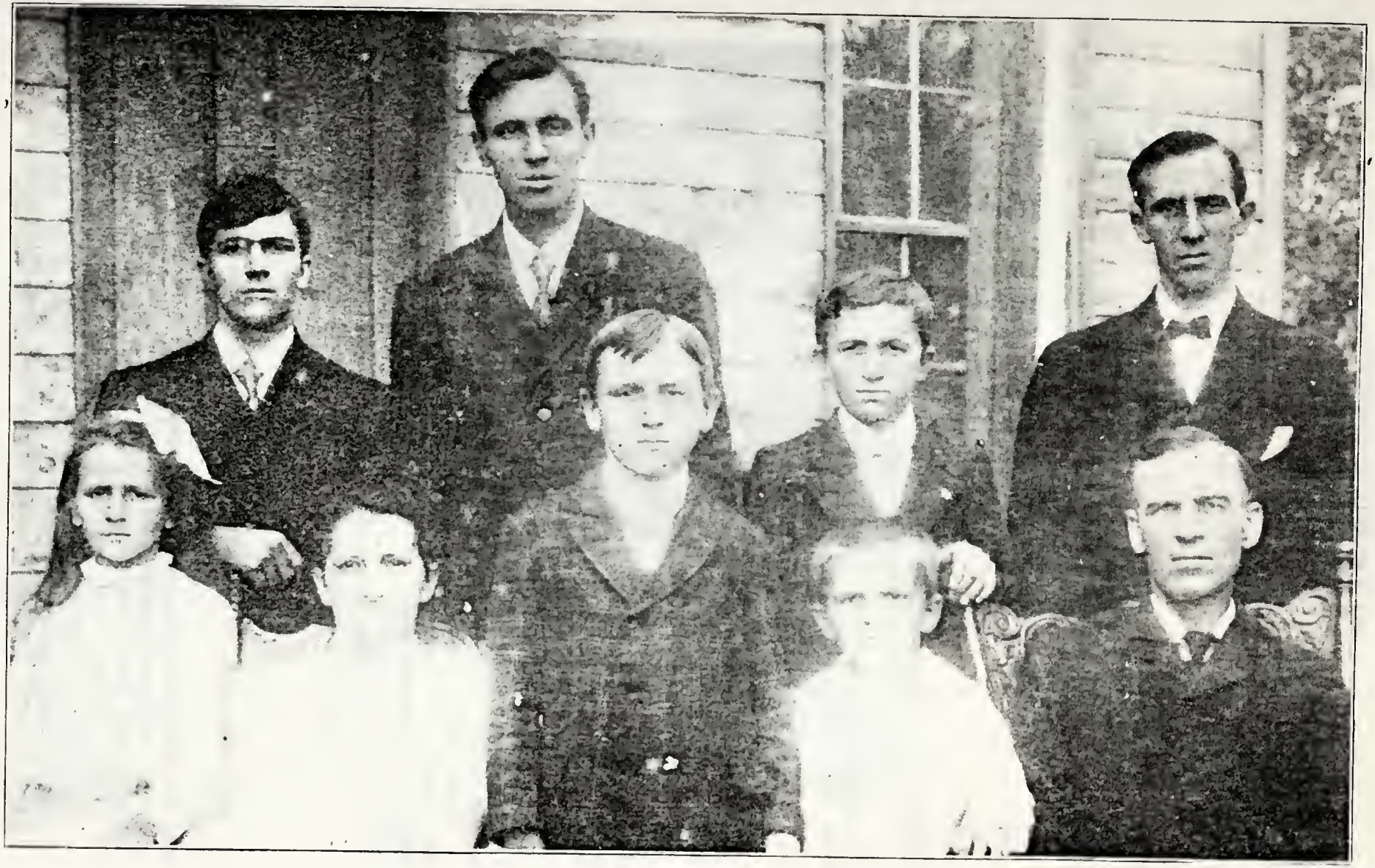
Laura Tschop, Windsor, Pa.
Meda Ziegler, Red Lion, Pa.
Arelda Brillhart, Windsor, Pa.
George Brillhart, Windsor, Pa.
Albert Brillhart, Windsor, Pa.; dead.
Leona Brillhart, Windsor, Pa.
Penrose Brillhart, Windsor, Pa.; dead.

Laura Brillhart married Perry A. Tschop. To this union one child was born: Robert P. Tschop, Windsor, Pa.

Levi W. Brillhart

Levi W. Brillhart, born Oct. 17, 1867, son of Daniel Brillhart and Mary Dice, married Leah Grimm. To them the following children were born:

Walter E., Dallastown, Pa.
Harry E., born 1887; died 1888.
Monto C., born 1890, Akron, Ohio.
Lester W., born 1892, Akron, Ohio.
Clifford H., born 1894, Akron, Ohio.
Erwin M., born 1896, Akron, Ohio.
Arthur D., born 1897, Akron, Ohio; died 1901.
Odessa A., born 1899, Akron, Ohio.
Melba O., born 1901, Akron, Ohio; died 1901.
Henry D., born 1902, Akron, Ohio.
DeEtta V., born 1904, Akron, Ohio; died 1906.
Jessie A., born 1911, Akron, Ohio.



Levi W. Brillhart and Family

Walter E. married Blanche Forbet, Dec. 18, 1907. They live at Dallastown, Pa., and he is a farmer. To them the following children were born:

Margie O., Dallastown, Pa., born 1912.
Marvin J., Dallastown, Pa., born 1917.
Paul, born later.

Lester married Bertha ——, and they have two children: Beatrice and Gladys.

Clifford married Martha ——; they have three children: Ruth, Robert, and Helen.

Henry married Hallie ——; they have one child, Cloyd.

John Brillhart

John Brillhart, son of Samuel Brillhart and Margaret Plymyre married Lydia Decker. To them the following children were born:

John Brillhart and Wife

Jesse Brillhart, who died at the age of 22 years.

Sarah, York, Pa., married Wm. Brook. One child.

Elizabeth, married to Nathaniel Deveney, York, Pa. Three children.

Frank Brillhart, York, Pa., cigarmaker, born 1854; died 1915. Married to Elmira Grim. Eight children.

Rosa, York, Pa., housekeeper, born 1856. Married to Michael Feiser. One son.

Rebecca E., York, Pa., housekeeper, born 1858. Married to John Emig.

Emma Brillhart, York, Pa., housekeeper, born 1862.
W. H. Brillhart, Seven Valleys, Pa., cigarmaker, born 1864.

William H. Brillhart

William H. Brillhart, born 1864, married Lillie R. Klinedinst, Oct. 16, 1894. To them the following children were born:

Harvey E. Brillhart, Seven Valleys, Pa., cigarmaker, born Mar. 27, 1895.
John A. Brillhart, Seven Valleys, Pa., cigarmaker, born Dec. 19, 1891.
Marion L. Linburg, Dallastown, Pa., housekeeper, born May 30, 1897.
Lydia M. Runkle, Chase, Md., housekeeper, born July 12, 1899.

Harvey E. Brillhart married Celestia Geischman, Feb. 28, 1915.
Marion L. Brillhart married Ernest E. Linburg, June 6, 1918.
Lydia M. Brillhart married William A. Runkle, Dec. 24, 1917.

Michael Fieser and Wife

PETER BRILLHART BRANCH

Peter Brillhart

Peter Brillhart was born in 1726 and in 1745 married Mary ——. He was a son of John Brillhart and Mary Rariegh Brillhart and came across the sea with his two brothers, Samuel and John. To this union were born eleven children: Nancy, married to Joseph Graybill; Jacob, Peter, Christian, Joseph, John, Elizabeth, married to Samuel Bixler; Eva, married to Samuel Flickinger; Annie, Barbara, and Maria, married to M. Figley.

For some years he lived in the northwest part of Switzerland, then when he with his brothers and their families came to this country; he took up some land on the southeast side of the old Indian Trail now known as Shrewsberry Township, York County, Pa., Dunkard Valley.

He was an industrious man. He managed to buy a large tract of land, and overcame many difficulties and hardships. With his kind Christian life he helped many around him. He and his brother, John, helped to organize the Dunkard Church, now known as the Church of the Brethren, about the year 1758, in the place where they settled.

His pioneer life was filled with cares. He was a blacksmith and cooper by trade and a hewer of timber. The records of Peter's children are not quite clear. Some of these given above may have belonged to his son Peter, but the evidence seems to favor the list as given.

Jacob Brillhart

Jacob Brillhart, son of Peter and Mary Brillhart, was married to Margaret Myers. They had four sons and one daughter: David, Samuel, Peter, Elizabeth. The daughter was not married. He died in 1788.

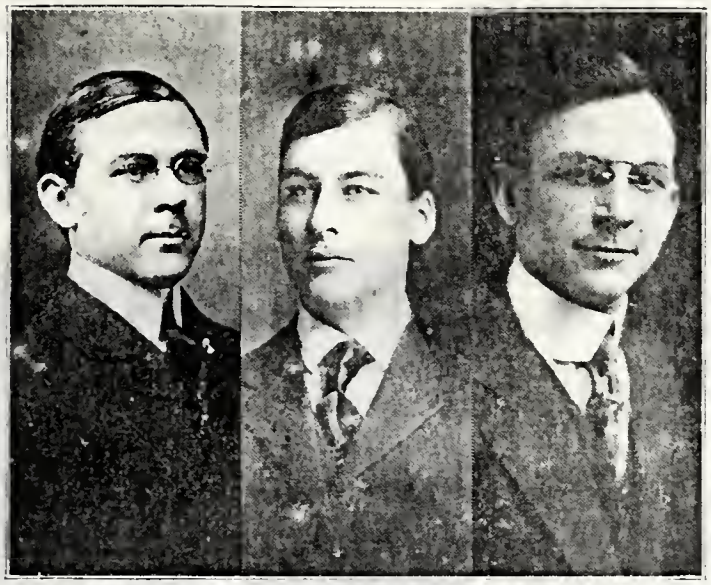
David Y. Brillhart and Wife

David Brillhart, son of Jacob Brillhart, was born in 1786 and was married to Magdalena Feigley. Two children: Jacob and Leah. David B. died in 1824.

Jacob married Rebecca Yost. Three children, one of whom was David Y. Brillhart.

David Y. Brillhart

David Y. Brillhart was born in 1855 and married Miss Mary Alice Herbert. Four children were born to this union: Jacob, David, Charles H., and Mary H.



Jacob, David, and Charles Brillhart

Jacob was born in 1880 and was married to Marie Smith. They have no children. He is a civil engineer and lives in Dallas, Texas.

David H. Brillhart was born in 1883, and is not married. He lives in Bethlehem, Pa., and is a civil engineer.

Charles H., was born in 1885, and is not married. He is an electrical engineer and lives at Argo, Ill. He also studied law.

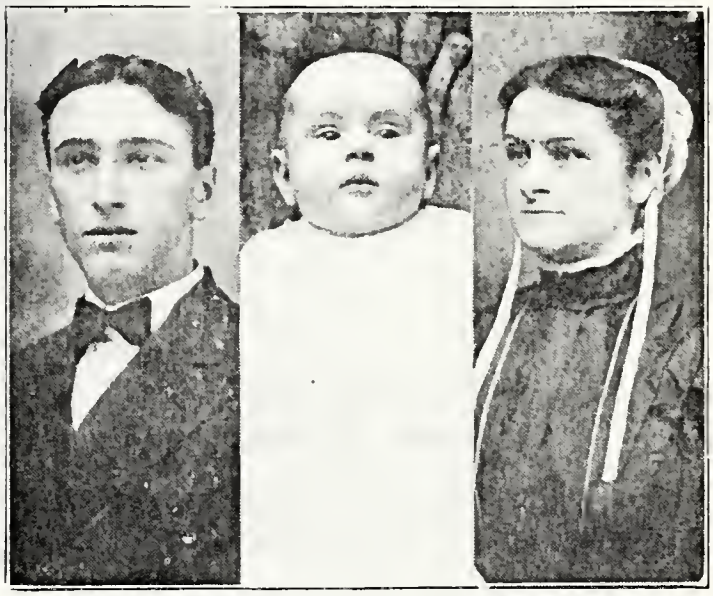
Mary H. Brillhart was born in 1886, and was married to Jacob E. Myers, and they have one daughter, Helen.

Leah Brillhart, the daughter of David Brillhart and Magdalena Feigley Brillhart, married Jacob Yost. To them two daughters were born:

Mary, who married Peter Bugard, and

Sarah, married to Charles Herbst.

Mary Brillhart was born in 1857, and married William Sprinkle. No children. She is the daughter of Jacob and Rebecca Yost Brillhart.



Jacob E. Myers and Family

Sarah Yost Herbst

Sarah Yost, daughter of Jacob Yost and Leah Brillhart, married Charles Herbst. To them the following children were born:

Jacob Herbst, York, Pa.
David Herbst, Mt. Wolf, Pa.
Charles Herbst, York, Pa.
Leah Kohr, York, Pa.
Sarah Kohr, York, Pa.
Mary Jacob, York, Pa.
Ella McDowell, Dallastown, Pa.
Julia Hildebrand, York, Pa.

Julia Y. Herbst married D. W. Hildebrand. They live at 506 George St., York, Pa. He is a P. O. Clerk. To them one child was born, Marie V. Hildebrand, born Dec. 20, 1908.

Grandchild of David Y. Brillhart

David Brillhart

David Brillhart, son of Jacob Brillhart, was born in York County, Pa. His schooling was limited yet in his aptness he became a shrewd business man. He united in marriage to Magdaline Feigley, likely related to Maria Brillhart Feigley. Maria married a Mr. Martin Feigley. Of this union little has been left on record to show their life's work.

Peter Brillhart

Peter Brillhart, the third child of Peter Brillhart, was born about 1760. This boy, like his father, was filled with strong determination to win in life's struggles. A further sketch is given near the close of this book.

Christian Brillhart

Christian Brillhart, the fourth child of Peter, was born in Holland or Switzerland. He came to this country when about 12 years old and followed farming as an occupation.

Jacob Brillhart

Jacob Brillhart, son of Peter and Mary Brillhart, was married to Margaret —— who died Dec., 1818. The children of Jacob and Margaret were as follows:

1. Peter, who died between 1816—1819, married to Catherine Feiser, who was born May 29, 1789; died Oct. 23, 1844.
2. David died Oct. 25, 1865, aged 79 years, 8 months, and 9 days.

Magdalene, his wife, died Sept. 5, 1867, aged 74 years, 3 months, and 8 days.

3. Samuel.
4. Elizabeth.

Elizabeth Brillhart's will is recorded in the Courthouse at York, Pa. The provisions are as follows: Her possessions were to go to her niece, Salome Brillhart Godfrey, who lived with her and took care of her. After Salome's death her estate was to be divided into three shares, the descendants of her three brothers, Peter, Samuel, and David, each receiving a third.

Peter Brillhart

Peter Brillhart lived and died at Kohr's Mills, Baltimore County, Md. Records of settlement are in Baltimore. He was buried in an old farm graveyard near the mill. Catherine, his wife, after his death, married Jacob Strickhouser, June 3, 1821.

Children of Peter and Catherine Feiser Brillhart were as follows: Jacob, John, Elizabeth, Salome, and Mary.

John Brillhart

John Brillhart, son of Peter and Catherine Feiser Brillhart, lived at Brillhart Station, Pa. He was a dairyman and owned a large farm. He had one hundred and fifteen head of cows. Milk was shipped to Baltimore. The station was named after John Brillhart and it was five miles from York, Pa.

He died at Olney, Illinois. He had one of the finest hotels in the city of Olney. He married Christena Sowers. To them were born five children: Julia, Katie, Sarah, Peter, George.

John Brillhart and Wife

Julia Brillhart was married to Mr. Gaddis. They had five children: George, O. N., Mrs. Nerlith, Mrs. D. F. Rand, A. G., Katie.

George Brillhart

George Brillhart was married to Lavina Clarinda Luther at Vandalia,

George Brillhart, Street Paving Outfit

Fayette County, Ill., on June 23, 1870. To them the following children were born:

George Brillhart, born April 12, 1846.
Lavina Brillhart, born Nov. 17, 1847.
Mary Christine Brillhart, born Feb. 3, 1875.
Claude Brillhart, born Oct. 8, 1876.
Daisy Alice Brillhart, born Apr. 10, 1878.
Geo. Alphus Brillhart, born Sept. 20, 1879.
Bessie Clarinda Brillhart, born May 19, 1881.
Delbert Francis, born Oct. 26, 1883.
Hazel Clarinda Brillhart, born July 24, 1892.

Daisy Alice Brillhart, was married to Harry Walter Dellart, July 23, 1898. Their children are as follows:

Dora, Cassady, and George B., June 9, 1915.
Mary Christian Wasner married George Wasner, Feb. 3, 1914.
Claud Ishmael Brillhart, married Maud Odonal on April 5, 1899.
Bessie Clarinda Brillhart died April 9, 1882.

Elizabeth Brillhart Fishal

Elizabeth Brillhart, daughter of Peter and Catherine Feiser Brillhart, was married to Charles Fishal. They had eleven children: Matilda, Marie, Malvin, Peter, Jacob, Rebecca, John, Julia, Eleanor, Henrietta, Charles.

Salome Brillhart, daughter of Peter and Catherine Brillhart, was married to Mr. Godfrey. No record of children.

Mary Brillhart, daughter of Peter Brillhart, born May 19, 1814, was married Oct. 7, 1832, to Peter Wolf. Later married Wm. Euing. Their children are as follows:

1. Rebecca married to Daniel Sprenkel. Later married Mr. Wampler.
2. Sarah married to Solomon Hamme.
3. John Wolf married to Mary Fitz. Children: John, Mary, and others.
4. Jesse. 5. Isaac.

Christian Brillhart

Christian B. Brillhart, son of Peter and Mary Brillhart, was married to Anna Weber. They had six children: John, Samuel, Peter, Nancy, Christian, and Christena. At his death Christian bestowed all his estate to his widow. At her death she bestowed all the estate to her trusty son Peter, executor, and her daughter, Nancy.

John Brillhart

John Brillhart, son of Christian and Anna Weber Brillhart, was married to Catherine Dowe. They had five children: Jacob, Daniel, Joseph, Moses, Peter.

Jacob Brillhart, son of John and Catherine Dowe Brillhart, was married to Anna Neitz. They had the following children: John, Sophia, Amanda, Rosie, Ananias, Franklin, and Robert.

Jacob and Anna Neitz Brillhart

John Brillhart, son of Jacob and Anna Neitz Brillhart, was married to Mary Hull. He was a Dunkard preacher. To them were born the following children: Catherine, married to Mr. Shearer; Rosannah, married to Daniel Chambers; Christena, married to Mr. Downs; Nancy, married to Philip Probst; and Mary, married to Mr. Richard.

The children of Catherine Shearer are as follows: Laura, John, Frank, Philip, Mary, Oliver, Christopher, Albert, Jennie, Cora.

The children of Rosannah Brillhart Chambers are as follows: John W., Daniel E., and Milton M.

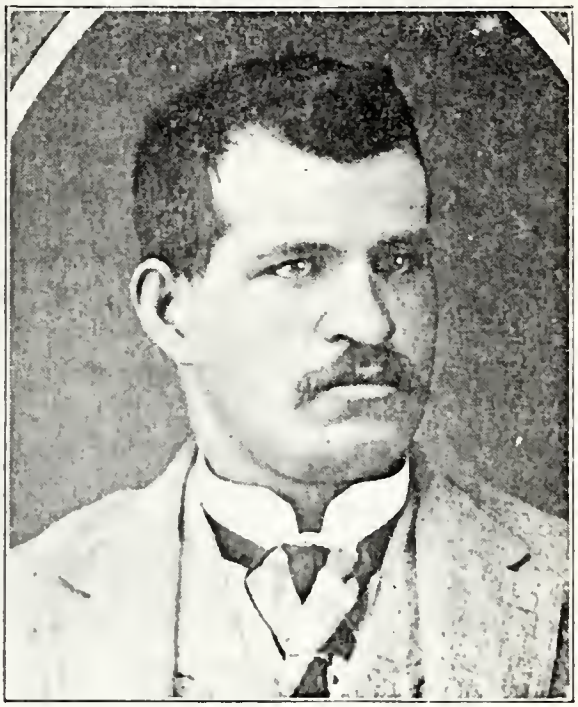
The children of Christena Brillhart Downs are as follows: Frank, William, Ella, married to Mr. Bosserman; Bertha, married to Mr. Feighner; Mary, married to F. Spicer.

David and Sophia Brillhart Heiser

Sophia Brillhart Heiser

Sophia Brillhart, a daughter of Jacob and Anna Neitz Brillhart, was born May 16, 1837, in Stark County, Ohio. At the age of eleven years she moved with her parents to Crawford County, Ohio, where she lived until her death, Dec. 8, 1908. March 3, 1859, she was united in marriage to David Heiser. Shortly after her marriage she became a member of the Peace Lutheran Church, and later the entire family became members.

David Heiser was born Aug. 15, 1833, in Bavaria, Germany. When three years old he came to this country with his parents. To them ten children were born: William Irwin; Frances Ann, married to John Adam Albert; Georgia Ellen; Anna Etta; David Franklin; Amarda Elizabeth; Martha Jane; Jacob Charles; John Frederick; and Clara May.



David Frank Heiser

Frances Ann Albert had four children: Clayson (dead), Nina Ethel, Ruth Virgil, Arna Azalia.

Rosie Brillhart, daughter of Jacob and Anna Neitz Brillhart, was born May 25, 1840. She was married to Adam Buchman. They had six children: William, Robert, Jacob, Earl, Ida, Della.

Nancy Brillhart Probst

Nancy Brillhart, daughter of John and Mary Hull Brillhart, granddaughter of Jacob and Anna Neitz Brillhart, was born in Crawford Co., Ohio, June 7, 1844. She united with the Church of the Brethren at

Mrs. F. A. Albert and Daughters

about the age of fourteen. She was an active person, her entire life energy looking to the welfare of those around her.

In the fall of 1862, she was united in marriage to Philip Probst. They lived in Crawford Co., Ohio, until the fall of 1881 when they with their family moved to Gratiot Co., Mich., on a farm in New Haven, where she resided until her death which occured Aug. 4, 1916, after an illness of six weeks accompanied by great suffering, which she bore patiently.

Philip Probst was born in Switzerland, Oct. 27, 1841; died Jan. 26, 1917; aged 75 years.

At the age of 13 years, his father came to the United States settling in Crawford Co., Ohio. At the age of 17 years, he united with the Brethren Church of which he was a faithful member. He died Nov. 30, 1862 He lived in Michigan, for a period of thirty-five years. They had the following children: William, Harold, John, Jessie, Joseph, Ella Daniels.

The children of Mary Brillhart Richard, daughter of John and Mary Hull Brillhart, are as follows: Florence Richey, Almeda MacMilen, Winfield Richard, and Norval Richard.

Robert Benjamin Brillhart

Robert Benjamin Brillhart, youngest son of Jacob and Anna Neitz Brillhart, was born July 27, 1848, near Chatfield, Crawford Co., Ohio, and was married March 14, 1872, to Mary A. Bessey who was born June 6, 1850, Huron Co., Ohio, near Attica. They had three sons and three daughters as follows:

Robert Brillhart and Wife

Alta Irene, born Dec. 22, 1872. No children.

Franklin J., born Sept. 29, 1874; married to Miss M. Keggy. Two children: Maria and Ida.

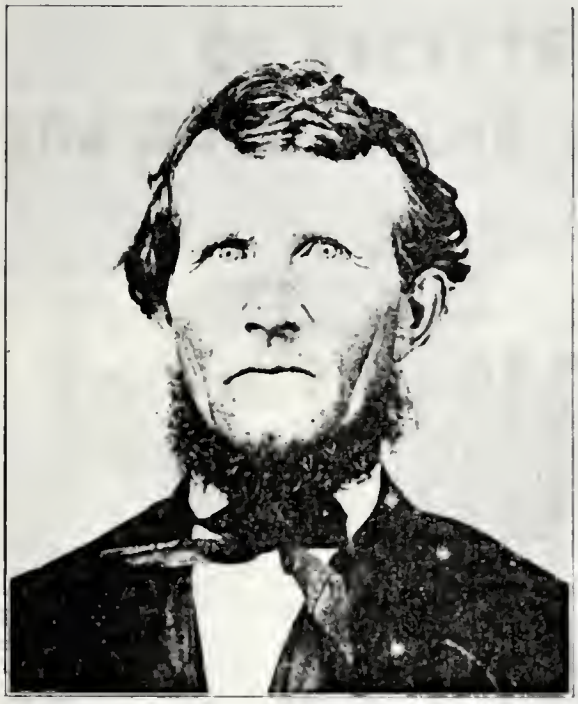
William E., born Dec. 18, 1876; married to Miss M. Valentine. Four children: Videtta, Elsie, Ida, Maxwell.

Rosa E., born Jan. 5, 1879; married to D. Hagger. To them were born children: Aletha, Leota, Ordis, and Leonard.

Alva J., born Nov. 11, 1883; married to Miss Briner. They had two children: Idina, Robert.

Daniel Brillhart

Daniel, a son of John and Catherine Dowe Brillhart, was born in York Co., Pa., 1812. He worked on the farm, had a limited education, and



Daniel and Margaret Neitz Brillhart

moved with his parents to Seneca Co., Ohio. There he met Miss Margaret Neitz. To them were born four girls: Margaret, Mary, Louisa, and Lucinda.

Margaret Brillhart Wilhelm

Margaret Brillhart, was the oldest daughter of Daniel and Margaret Neitz Brillhart, and a granddaughter of John and Catherine Dowe Brillhart. After her school days and social years among her associates she met her choice companion of life, D. B. Wilhelm. They were energetic people and accumulated some temporal means. To them were born seven children: Adella, Elsie, Gertrude, Emma, Minnie, Irvin, and John. They lived a quiet, peaceful, and helpful, Christian life.

Adella Wilhelm married H. Newhouse. To them two children were born: Maud Howe and Dewey.

Elsie Wilhelm married J. L. Lake. One child, Irvin.

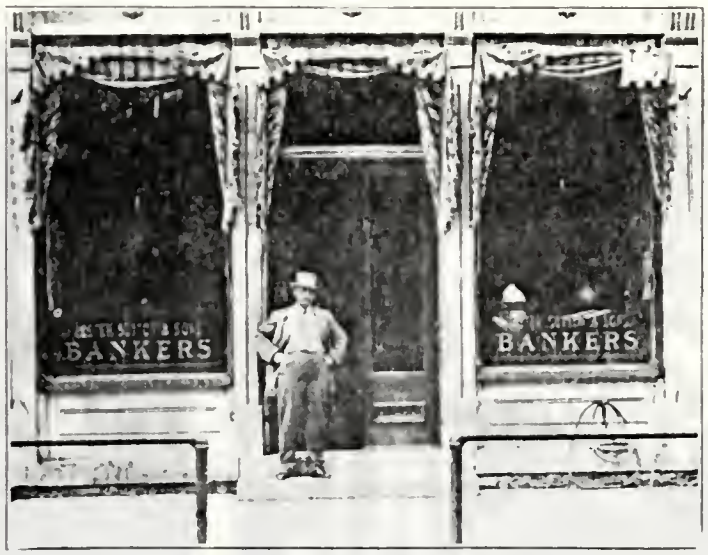
H. Newhouse and Wife

D. B. Wilhelm and Family

Gertrude Wilhelm married L. Sutton. To them three boys were born: John, Corwin, and Russel. Mr. Sutton is president of the Sutton Bank,

L. L. Sutton and Wife

Attica, Ohio. He has been prominently identified with the business interests of the town and county. Since he entered business life he has



Sutton Bank

stood for every laudable enterprise, and has assisted in the management of municipal affairs.

Emma Wilhelm married H. Beichstein. One son, Cornea.

Minnie Wilhelm married W. Ray Schwab.

Irvin J., was married to Ida ——.

John W. Wilhelm is single.

Ray Schwab and Wife

Corwin, Russell, and John H. Sutton

Christman Bartholomew and Wife

Daniel Bartholomew and Family

Margaret Bartholomew

Lucinda Brillhart Bartholomew

Lucinda Brillhart, daughter of Daniel and Margaret Neitz Brillhart, born

A. Bartholomew and Wife

1835, married Christman Bartholomew. Six children: Sevilla, married to McClane; Allen; Daniel; Margaret; Migit, married to John Walters; Arthur.

Louisa Brillhart Rhodes

Louisa Brillhart, sister of Lucinda, was married to Samuel Rhodes in 1884. They had one child, Laura, who married H. M. Gooding. To them seven children were born. In middle age Louisa's eyesight became af-

fected. She finally became blind. She lived in the hope of the promises of her Redeemer, awaiting the time of her departure to be with her Lord.

Louisa Brillhart Rhodes

H. M. Gooding and Family

Mary Brillhart Walters

Mary A. Brillhart married John W. Walters. To this union three children were born:

Nettie was married to J. W. Plotner. To this union were born two children: Dot Plotner and Esther Plotner.

Dayton married Lula Walters. They had one child, John Lee.

Arthur was married to Myrtle Walters. To them were born three children.

John Walters and Wife

Joseph Brillhart

Joseph, son of John and Catherine Dowe Brillhart, was married and had the following children: Frank, Mattie Stone, Benjamin, Amanda Myers.

Moses Brillhart

Moses Brillhart, a son of John and Catherine Dowe Brillhart, was born in Seneca Co., Ohio, Jan. 24, 1825. His school privileges were limited to a few months in the winter. When he became 26 years of age, in 1851, he married Miss Martha Utz. They lived on a farm near Fostoria, Ohio, for about twenty-nine years. Then in 1875 they sold out and moved to Michigan, settling on a farm in Gratiot County, where they lived the rest of their lives. They were much interested in their children, kind and helpful neighbors, and devoted to their Christian faith. To them were born eight children, as follows:

Moses and Martha Utz Brillhart

Isaiah was born in 1852. When of age he married Miss Orpha McFarlin. To them were born two children: Peter and Martha.

Lovina was born Aug. 26, 1855. She was married to Peter Smith. To them was born one son, William.

Catherine, the third child of Moses and Martha Brillhart, was born

Family of Moses Brillhart

in 1858. She married Simon Richard. To them was born one daughter, Lula, when death's summons called her home.

William H. Brillhart was born Nov. 2, 1860. He was married to Miss Sarah Robert. To them were born three children: Roy, Elsie, Grace.

Mary Ella Brillhart was born Oct. 10, 1862. She became the wife of

Stephen Culy, residing at Carson City, Mich. They were blessed with two children: Essie and Eva.

John E. Brillhart was born Aug. 2, 1866. He married Miss Nora Husted. They reside at Lansing, Mich. To them were born three children: Cleo, Bessie, and Joy.

David Brillhart was born Sept. 21, 1868. He was united in marriage

Moses Brillhart Family Reunion

to Miss Emma Culy. They reside at Perrinton, Mich. Born to them: Harry, Mabel, and Esther.

Daniel Brillhart, seventh child of Moses and Martha Brillhart, was born Nov. 16, 1870. He was married to Miss Ettie Balyard. They reside in Lansing, Mich. To them was born one child, Lovel.

Peter Brillhart

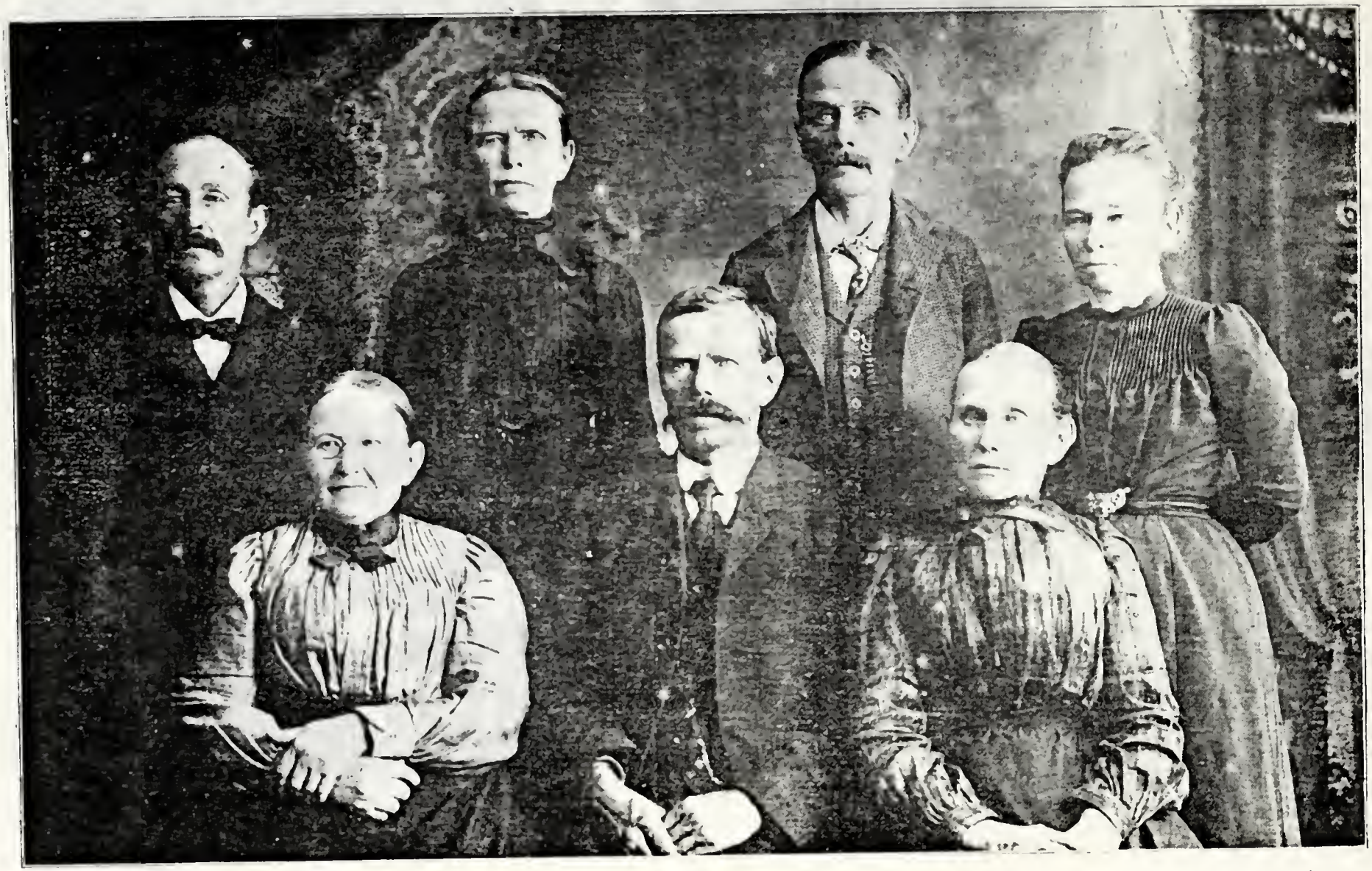
Peter Brillhart, a son of John and Catherine Dowe Brillhart, a grandson of Christian and Annie Weber Brillhart, was born in York County, Pa., in 1819.

He came to Stark County, Ohio, about 1825 with his parents, where he grew to manhood and acquired a partial common school education. He lived on the farm near Canton, until he was 23 years old. The year 1842 he met with Sarah Utz. Soon after their marriage they moved to Crawford County, Ohio, in 1852. They lived in Crawford and Seneca Co., until 1865, about the close of the Civil War.

About the time of the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, they moved to Henry County, Ohio, on a farm in the forest and bought a tract of land and began to improve it with the help of their family.

He was a careful, kind, and patient man both with his children and horses. He seemed to enjoy hard work and of such was his lot in life. He was a member of the Mennonite Church and lived close to his faith.

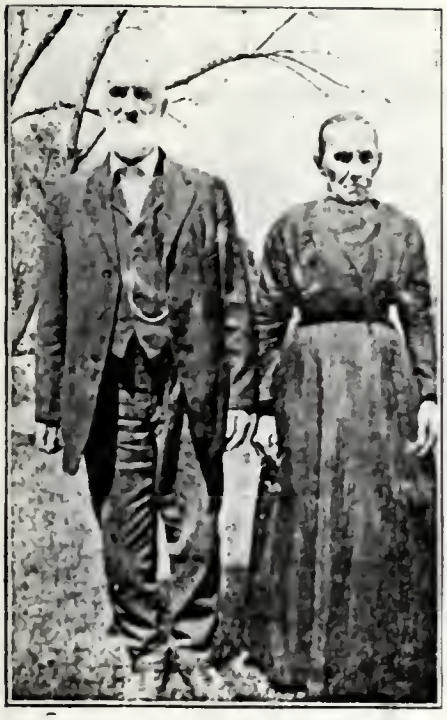
In 1875, his family were all attacked with typhoid fever, from November until March, which was a severe trial, taking his wife from her



Family of Peter and Sarah Utz Brillhart

motherly cares on earth to a rest from labor beyond the river of death.

He still kept his little flock together and managed the home duties with the aid of his childen for some fifteen years longer until old age laid its claims upon his worn-out body, and he was taken care of by his children. For three years he lingered until the death message came, in 1893 and his spirit went to Him who gave it. There were eight children: Caroline, Uriah, Catherine, Ellen, Noah, Elizabeth, John, and Emma.



Caroline Smith and Husband

Caroline Brillhart was married twice —to Mr. Bowman and Mr. Smith. She had two children: Ellen and F. J. Bowman.

Uriah Brillhart was married three times. He was the father of four children: Frank, Barney, Callie, and Bertha.

Catherine Brillhart, daughter of Peter and Sarah Utz Brillhart, was married to Mr. Smith. They had one daughter, Jennie.

Ellen Brillhart was married to B. Turner. They had two children: Doris and Fred.

Noah Brillhart, son of Peter and Sarah Utz Brillhart, was born in 1851; was married three times. The children of his first wife are Bertha Brillhart Pennel, Barney Brillhart, Frank Brillhart (deceased), Ralph Brillhart, Callie Brillhart. He was an engineer.

Elizabeth Brillhart Kleinhem

Elizabeth Brillhart, daughter of Peter and Sarah Brillhart, was married to Mr. Kleinhem. Their children were as follows:

Earl P. Kleinhem, born Dec. 11, 1881; married Daisy St. Mary. They had one child, Thelma.

William H. Kleinhem, born May 28, 1883, married Bertha Mann. Their children are: Marie and Gerald.

Frank Kleinhem, deceased,

Wm. Kleinhem and Family

born Nov. 23, 1885, married Nellie Sisler. Their children are: Melvin, Alton, and Loree.

Anna R., born Dec. 16, 1887, married Edward L. Nelson. Their children are: Kenneth and Leona.

John Brillhart

John Brillhart, son of Peter and Sarah Utz Brillhart, was born June 22, 1856, and married Alice Dell Fiser, born Oct. 19, 1859, at Napoleon, Ohio. Their children are:

John Brillhart and Family

O. R. Brillhart, born April 20, 1885, at Napoleon, Ohio. He married Edna Philpot of McClure, Ohio, Dec. 24, 1908. They have two children: Mabel Lucile and Ruth Mame.

F. B. Brillhart, born Oct. 3, 1886, married Emma Nelson, Dec. 26, 1912.

V. G. Brillhart, born Sept. 22, 1888, married Nora Nelson, Dec. 26, 1912.

J. C. Brillhart, born Dec. 17, 1890, married Laura Sanhoitz, April 20, 1916. He is a minister.

O. R. Brillhart and Family

F. B. Brillhart and Wife

V. G. Brillhart and Wife

Clyde Brillhart and Wife

Samuel Brillhart

Samuel Brillhart, son of Christian and Anna Weber Brillhart, was married to Elizabeth Bealer. They had eight children: Mary Ann, Samuel, Elizabeth, Lucinda, Anna, Julian, John F., and Isaac.

Samuel and Elizabeth Bealer Brillhart

Mary Ann was married to Henry Kessler.

Samuel Brillhart, son of Samuel and Elizabeth Bealer Brillhart was married to Angeline Spangler. They had five children: Uriah, Franklin, Lizzie, Hattie, and Emma.

Franklin Brillhart was married to Elizabeth Albert. Five children: Louis, Rosie, Clyde, Verna, and Salem.

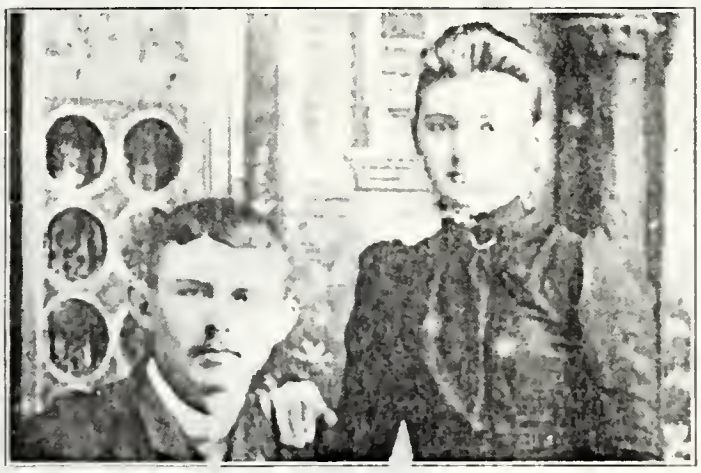
Lizzie Brillhart was married to Mr. Bransom.

Hattie Brillhart was married to Mr. Crowthers.

Emma Brillhart was married to Mr. Parr.

Uriah S. Brillhart

Uriah S. Brillhart, son of Samuel and Angeline Spangler Brillhart, a grandson of Samuel and Elizabeth Bealer Brillhart, was born May 6, 1870, near Summum, Ill., where he was raised to manhood on the farm and completed his common school education.



Uriah S. Brillhart and Wife

In the year 1891, on Sept. 21, he was united in marriage to Lillie Mummert. He took up the carpenter trade which he has followed most of the time since.

In the year 1897, on Sept. 1, he united with the Church of the Brethren. In 1906, Sept. 1, he was elected to the Deacon's office and on Sept. 18, 1907, he was called to the ministry. Then in 1908 on the second day, his wife, who was a faithful helper, was called to the Heavenly Home, leaving him with the care of seven children.

In 1909, on Nov. 17, he was adanced to the second degree of the ministry. In 1910, he moved to Quinter, Kansas, where he now resides.

In 1914, Oct. 29, he was advanced to the Eldership and he is faithfully caring for his little flock.

U. S. Brillhart's children are: Chester, George, Edith, Perry, Mabel, Earl, and Winifred.

Elizabeth Brillhart, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Bealer Brillhart, was married to Jacob Kessler. They had ten children: Emma, Salinda, Matilda, Nathan, Maud, Samuel, Viola, Amos, Lizzie, and Ferris.

Lucinda Brillhart, daughter of Samuel Elizabeth Bealer Brillhart, was married to Mr. Rebert. No children.

Julian Brillhart, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Brillhart, was married to Mr. Stambaugh.

John F. Brillhart

John F. Brillhart, son of Samuel and Elizabeth Bealer Brillhart, grandson of Christian Brillhart, was born in Codorus Township, York County, Pa., June 19, 1840. As he grew to boyhood his opportunity for school was limited and later in years he was placed with a tinsmith to learn that trade. After completing this trade, he married Miss Mary Jane Shriver of York County, Pa., and to this union were born six children: Lizzie S., Ella Kate, Lucy E., Annie Pearl, Robert Franklin, Bertha Virginia.

In 1879 death entered this home and claimed the beloved wife and mother. The little family without a mother was a lonely one.

In 1881, Mr. Brillhart united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Smith and

John F. and Elizabeth Smith Brillhart

John F. and Mary Shriver Brillhart

to this union five children were born: Charles Edward, Mary Catherine, Harry Allen, Gertrude Irene, and John Frederick. He followed his life occupation and cared for his large family, living a pious life. He was a loving husband, a kind father and a good neighbor. He passed away Sept. 8, 1911, aged 71 years, 2 months, and 22 days.

Isaac Brillhart and Wife

Isaac Brillhart

Isaac Brillhart, son of Samuel Brillhart and Elizabeth Bealer, was married to Adaline Myers. To this union the following children were born: Edward B., died 1880; Lucy Spangler; Elmina Spangler, died 1892; Conrad M., Canton, Ill., machinist; John W., Ipava, Ill., farmer; Maggie Raisner, Salina, Kan.; Charles, Atlantic, Ia., farmer.

Conrad M. Brillhart

Conrad M. Brillhart, son of Isaac Brillhart and Adaline Myers, married Emma Offord, Nov. 14, 1886. They live at Canton, Ill., and he works in the B. & O. shop. The children are as follows:

Berne R., born 1887, Canton, Ill., furniture dealer.
Nettie F., born 1889, Canton, Ill.
Harry, born 1891; died 1896.
Mabel, born 1893, Canton, Ill.
Lola, born 1899; died 1899.
Russell, born 1900; died 1903.
Ralph, born 1904; died 1904.
Sheldon, born 1905, Canton, Ill.

Nettie married Cecil R. Mullins, 1913.
Mabel married Ernie Ashley, 1917.
Bernie married Mabel Gallagher.

Charles Brillhart

Charles Brillhart, son of Isaac Brillhart, married Emma M. Keller, Feb. 10, 1886. To this union were born:

Maude S., Atlantic, Ia., school teacher, born 1888.
Leonard L., Atlantic, Ia., farmer, born 1892.
Elsie May, Atlantic, Ia., nurse, born 1894.
Elzie Ray, Atlantic, Ia., sailor, born 1894.
Dewey L., Atlantic, Ia., farmer, born 1898.
Leland Chas., Atlantic, Ia., born 1902; died 1917.

Charles Brillhart and Family

Adaline, Atlantic, Ia., stenographer, born 1896.
Kenneth F., Atlantic, Ia., born 1906.
Cecil M., Atlantic, Ia., born 1909.

Maude married Clarence Stewart, April, 1918.
Leonard married Irene Hall, Nov. 8, 1916.
Stella married Carl Stengel, Sept. 4, 1917.
Leonard's children are: Laurel Miriam, born Aug. 15, 1917; and Gerald Leonard, born Aug. 17, 1918.

Peter Brillhart

Peter Brillhart, a son of Christian and Anna Weber Brillhart, a

grandson of Peter Brillhart, was born in 1799 in Redspring, Codorus Township, York Co., Pa.

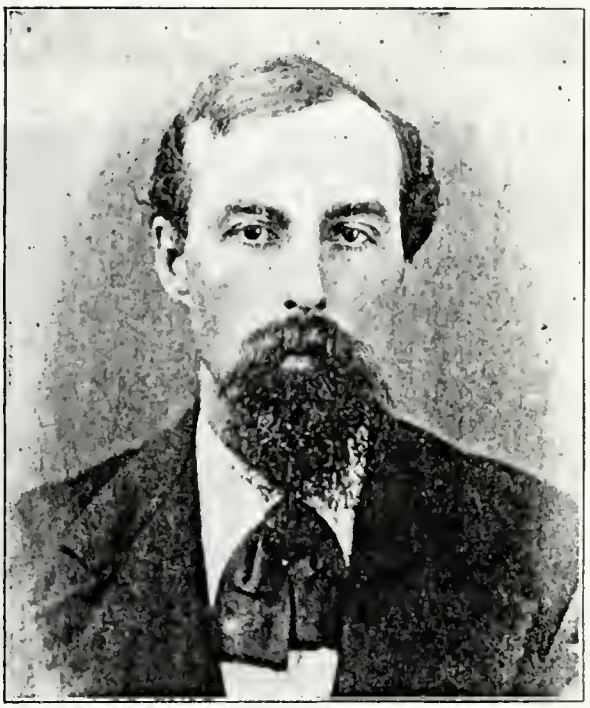
His early life was of much help to his parents in clearing up new land and starting farm life. His school privileges were not the best of his day but because of his bright mind, aptness, and tact, he soon became shrewd in his business adventures. He was married to Elizabeth Baker.

Peter and Elizabeth Baker Brillhart

In the year 1820, he started in a wagon over the mountains to the west and as they made their way by day and camped out at night, they found a desirable spot in Ohio where they bought a large tract of land and began clearing off the timber. Here they lived and toiled hard for some 25 years and during this period, there were 10 more of their family born to them.

On 1850, they sold their home and moved on west into Illinois near Freeport, where he bought another farm and there he began improving his home.

In 1853, there was another daughter born to them. Here they lived and died at a ripe old age of 80 years. Their children were: Anna, Martha, Lydia, Maria, Adaline, Lucinda, Elizabeth, Franklin, Henry, Peter, Barbara, and Emma.



Peter Brillhart

Anna married Allen Kyle. Mattie died in childhood. Lydia never married, died at the age of 82. Maria married Adam Laymaster. Adaline married Christian Mishler, Oct. 8, 1852, in Rockford, Ill. Lucinda married Christian Girl. There were seven children: Phoebe, William, Ida, Emma, Charles,

Peter and Franklin. Elizabeth married John Strain. Frank married Ellen Sheetz. Henry and Peter died single. Barbara died in infancy and Emma married John Strohm and lives at Aurora, Neb. They have no children. Frank has a son living on a farm near Freeport, Ill. His name is William, married to Minnie Fox. They had three children: Frank, Nellie, and Harry.

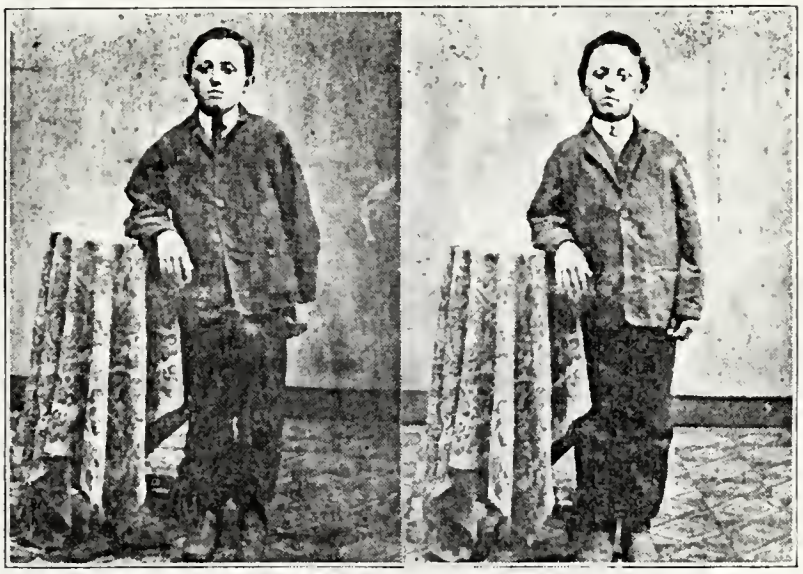
Adaline Brillhart Mishler

Adeline Brillhart Mishler

Adeline Brillhart, daughter of Peter and Elizabeth Baker Brillhart, born Feb. 15, 1835, was married to G. M. Mishler. To them were born seven children: Frances, Ira, Cyrus, Harriet, Emma, Mary, and Anna.

Frances, born Aug. 18, 1853, married Henry Snyder Dec. 25, 1870.

Cyrus and Ira were born May 4, 1855. Cyrus was married to Minnie Smith, and Ira was married to Libbie Palmer. Harriet, born July 7, 1858, is single. Emma, born July 6, 1862, married James Smith. Mary, born Nov. 25, 1867, married Anson Hukill. Anna, born Nov. 23, 1869, is single. Frances has two sons, Arthur and Roger, living, and Hattie died in childhood.



Ira and Cyrus Mishler—Twins

Cyrus has two sons: Ralph and Glenn. Ira has two daughters: Gertude and Marjorie. Emma has three daughters: Hallie, Gladys and Dola. Hallie married Dean Fishbeck and they have two sons: Ward and Wade. Frarces' son, Arthur, married Sadie Buat. Roger married Elma Rand. Neither have children.

William F. Brillhart and Family

William Franklin Brillhart

William Franklin Brillhart was born May 22, 1842, in Stark County, Ohio, and died April 9, 1876, in Freeport, Ill. He was the son of Peter and Elizabeth Brillhart, and on Aug. 9, 1862, at Freeport, Ill., he enlisted in Company D, 93rd Regiment, of Illinois Infantry and was discharged June 23, 1863. On Nov. 9, 1865, he was married to Ellen S. Sheets at Freeport, Ill., who died July 31, 1902, in Otsego, Mich. To them were born four children, two of whom passed away when young. William N., married to Minnie Fox, still lives at Freeport, Ill., and Eva E., was married to George E. Barton, March 24, 1897 at Otsego, Mich. To them was

Mrs. Wm. Franklin Brillhart and Two Daughters

born one son, Charles Franklin, May 9, 1898, who has the distinction of being one of the few who are born with their hearts on the right side

of their bodies. In his boyhood days Charles was generally found busy selling garden truck and papers to earn some money for his own use.

George E. and Eva Brillhart Barton

Later he worked in a paper mill and is now employed as night clerk in one of the leading hotels of the city.

Emma Brillhart Strohm

Emma Brillhart Strohm, a daughter of Peter and Elizabeth Brillhart, and a granddaughter of Christian Brillhart, was born in 1853, in Freeport, Ill.

Amidst her young years of home life and care for her parents, she acquired a fair education. Later on she married John K. Strohm. No children.

They moved to Aurora, Neb., where they now live.

Her life has been one of spiritual devotion, living close to her Redeemer. Her warm, affectionate friendship has won her many loving friends.

Charles Franklin Barton

Amid all the reverses and sorrows that linger along the pathway of life her cheerful greeting and kind words have reflected the sunlight of hope.

Christian Brillhart

Christian Brillhart, born in 1805, son of Christian and Anna Weber Brillhart, was married to Mary Ann Utz. They had ten children: Eliza-

Christian and Mary Ann Utz Brillhart

beth, Andrew, Jacob, Mary, Henrietta, John W., Lydia, Christian, Sarah, Samuel.

Jacob, Andrew, John and Samuel Brillhart

Andrew Brillhart

Andrew Brillhart, second child of Christian and Mary Utz Brillhart, was born Feb. 18, 1830, in York Co., Pa., at the old homestead.

When a small baby, yet in his mother's arms, they moved to Canton, Ohio, over land, with their belongings on wagon and horseback, traveling thru many trails and bad roads. They took a claim 1½ miles south from the center of the city and began to clear off their land by hard toil. His wife took an active part in sawing, chopping, rolling and clearing off the dense wood. This claim was taken up at this place on account of a fine spring of water.

Andrew Brillhart and Family

Brillhart Family Reunion at the Home of Levi A. Brillhart

While Andrew was but a few months old, he was placed in a basket and taken with his parents to work every day. One day a tragical event took place. While the child was in the shade, a large black snake approached him and curled himself around the basket which frightened the mother, and the fight began for the life of the child. She gained the victory and rescued Andrew who lived to the age of 67 years, and reared a large family of seven children. Andrew lived with his parents and helped them clear off the land at home, and at the age of 19 years he left home. He had a common school education. He then learned the milling trade. He went to Fort Wayne, Ind., and then to Kendallville, Ind., where he went into the milling business with his brother, Jacob. Later he went to Pentwater, Mich. He died Dec. 1, 1897.

At the age of 25 years, from among his associates who attended the singing schools, apple cuttings, and corn huskings, Andrew's affections centered upon Miss Almyra Johns, who extended to him her love and affection for life. To this union the following children were born, four girls and three boys: Levi Austin, Mary Ellen, Emma Noretta, Elmer Lewis, Ida May, Sarah Alma, James McClellan.

Levi A. Brillhart

Levi A., the oldest son of Andrew and Almyra Johns Brillhart, was born Aug. 15, 1858, at Fort Wayne, Ind.

At the age of 6 years, they went to Kendallville, Ind., where he acquired some education and worked at milling. At the age of 12 years he

Clayton Brillhart and Wife at Market

moved to Pentwater, Mich., with his father. In 1880, he started farming and continued in this for six years, when he married Martha Ellen Neher, March 19, 1885. To this union two children were born: Olive and Clayton.

He lived in Pentwater and worked in a furniture factory for fifteen years.

In 1899 he moved to Grand Rapids, Mich., and bought a small plot of land and started a greenhouse and truck farm. They are living a quiet and happy life in their old age.

Mary Brillhart Runnels

Mary Ellen, the second child of Andrew Brillhart, was born at Fort Wayne, Ind., Aug. 25, 1861, and at the age of 16 years was married to Henry J. Runnels. To them was born one child, Fredric O. They live in Pentwater, Mich., and keep resorters to the lake.

Emma Brillhart Stoddard

Emma Noretta, third child of Andrew and Almyra Brillhart, was born March 23, 1863, in Fort Wayne, Ind., and acquired an education. She

Warren L. Stoddard and Family

graduated from Pentwater College and taught school for some years. She then married Mr. Warren L. Stoddard and to them the following children were born: Florence, Owen, and Jessie. They later moved to Tampa, Fla.

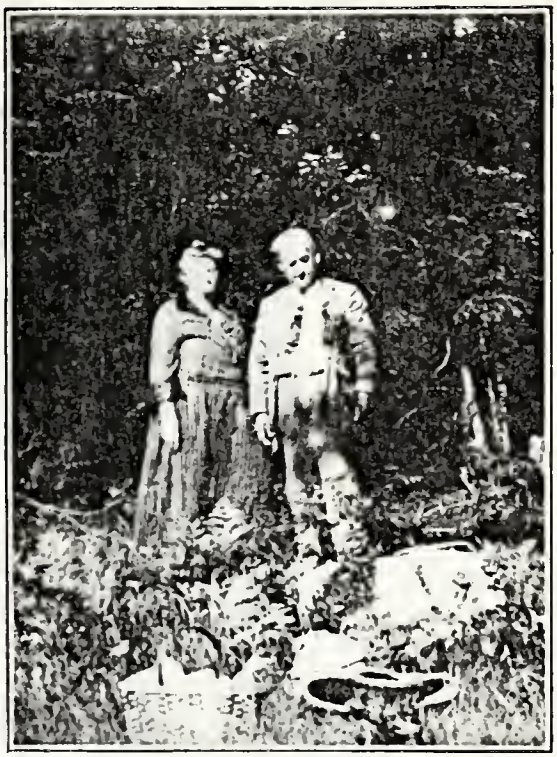
Ida Brillhart Snyder

Ida May, the fifth child of Andrew and Almyra Brillhart, was born May 17, 1868, in Kendallville, Ind. She married Wm. Snyder of Hart, Mich., a leading man of the town, president of a bank.

Sarah Brillhart Glover

Sarah Alma, the sixth child of Andrew and Almyra Brillhart, was

born Jan. 1, 1873, at Pentwater, Mich. She maried Frank Glover, a farmer, and to them were born three children: Floyd, Phil, and Verna. Later, her husband died and she still manages the farm and is successful, being a friend to all and highly respected in her vicinity.



Elmer Lewis Brillhart and Wife

Elmer Lewis Brillhart

Elmer Lewis, the fourth child of Andrew and Almyra Brillhart, was born June 2, 1865, Kendallville, Ind. He married Sarah Turner and to them two children were born: Elsie Lucile, and Verner. They now live at Pharr, Texas.

James McClelland Brillhart

James McClelland, seventh child of Andrew and Almyra Brillhart, was born April 27, 1875, at Pentwater, Mich., and acquired an education and remained on the farm. He took care of his mother while living and was a prominent man and citizen having filled some municipal offices in his town.

Jacob Brillhart

Jacob S. Brillhart, son of Christian and Mary Utz Brillhart, was married to Sarah Herst. He was born at Canton, Ohio, March 22, 1829; died Sept. 23, 1902. He had two sons, Andrew and John Henry.

John Henry Brillhart

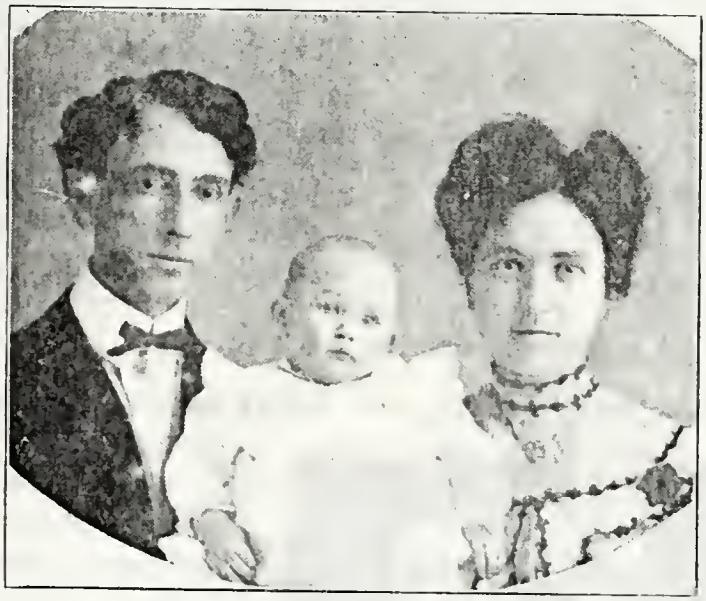
John Henry Brillhart, born at Canton, Ohio, Aug. 27, 1850, son of Jacob S. Brillhart, was married July 3, 1870, at Kendallville, Ind., to Miss Jennie M. Herst whose father was a hardwood lumber shipper. Soon after this marriage he also entered the hardwood lumber trade in Indiana. In 1872 he went into Arkansas to get walnut lumber for the European trade. In 1876 he came to Nebraska and settled on a farm. To this union were born three sons and one daughter: Arthur L., Guy L., Foster Lee, and Bertha Belle.

Arthur L. Brillhart

Dr. Arthur L. Brillhart, dentist, was born at Augusta, Ark., May 17,

1873; married May 22, 1907, at Valparaiso, Ind., to Miss Evelyn Dale. To this union were born:

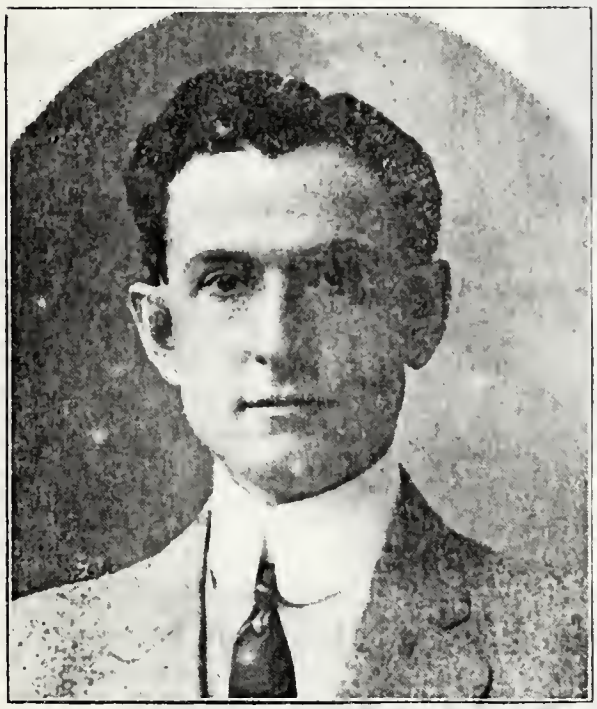
Arthur Dale, April 9, 1908.
Dwyre Barr, Feb. 14, 1910.
Evelyn Myrl, Oct. 18, 1914.



Arthur L. Brillhart and Wife

Guy L. Brillhart

Dr. Guy L. Brillhart, dentist, was born at Kendallville, Ind., Mar. 4,



Guy L. Brillhart

Foster Lee Brillhart

1875; married to Miss Sarah Eaton at Graff, Nebr., April 15, 1900. To this union were born:

Irma Mildred, May 25, 1903.
Everett Guy, Oct. 19, 1905.
Sarah Brillhart died April 14, 1910, at Schuyler, Nebr.
Guy L. was married again June 14, 1914, at Lincoln, Nebr., to Jessie E. Coventry.

Foster Lee Brillhart

Foster Lee Brillhart, was born at Tecumseh, Nebr., May 15, 1877, and married to Miss Bertha Driehaus at Johnson, Nebr. To this union were born: Floyd, Daniel, and Berletha.

Bertha Belle Brillhart Corrington

Bertha Belle Brillhart, was born at Tecumseh, Nebr., Nov. 9, 1882; married at Tecumseh Sept. 30, 1903 to Dr. C. M. Corrington, dentist. To this union were born:

Melba Lora, Apr. 22, 1907; died June 6, 1907.
Lotus Marjorie, born Aug. 9, 1913

C. M. and Bertha Brillhart Corrington and Child

Mary Brillhart Mishler

Mary Brillhart, a daughter of Christian and Mary Utz Brillhart, was married to Mr. Mishler. One daughter, Mary, was married to Mr. Stouffer

Henrietta Brillhart, daughter of Christian and Mary Utz Brillhart was married to Mr. Sheets. They had two children: John and Hall.

John W., son of Christian and Mary Utz Brillhart, was married to Alice Gable. They had no children. They lived on the old homestead about 1½ miles from Canton, Ohio.

Lydia Brillhart

Lydia Brillhart, daughter of Christian and Mary Utz Brillhart, unmarried, lived at the old homestead until she passed away at a good old age. She became blind a few years before her death.

Christian Brillhart, son of Christian and Mary Utz Brillhart died when quite young.

Old Home of Christian Brillhart. His Daughter, Lydia Brillhart Second from the Left

Sarah Brillhart, daughter of Christian and Mary Utz Brillhart, was married to F. Young. They had one child, Cora, married to Mr. Whitaver. They had four children: Ruth, Louis, Frank, and Lawrence.

Samuel B. Brillhart, youngest son of Christian and Mary Utz Brillhart, was married to Miss Owens. They had one son, Don O., who is engaged in educational work.

Christena Brillhart Shafer

Christena Brillhart, daughter of Christian and Anna Weber Brillhart, was married to Mr. Shafer. They had eleven children: Mary, married to Mr. Shaner; Polly; Elizabeth; Catherine; Jane; Isaac; Christena, married to Mr. Stokes (four children: George, John, Mary, Samuel); Edward; Katie; Nettie, married to Mr. Myers (five children: Mary, Cora, Anna, Verna, Alice); Donald.

Joseph Brillhart

Joseph Brillhart, son of Peter and Mary —— Brillhart, was married

Elizabeth Glascock, Aunt of Jonathan Brillhart

Jesse Brillhart, Upper Left

to Anna Marie Lookabaugh. To them were born eleven children: Valentine, David, Jennie, Lydia, Elizabeth, Abraham, Mary, Jacob, Henry, Joseph, Noah.

Daughter of Valentine Brillhart

David and Maria Rininger Brillhart

David B. Brillhart

David B. Brillhart, son of Joseph and Maria Lookabaugh Brillhart, married Maria Rininger. To this union the following children were born:

Margaret, born 1849, farming.
Samuel, unknown.
H. Harrison, Akron, Ohio, day work.
Benjamin Franklin, Akron, O., carpenter.
Emanuel, unknown.
Ellen, born 1860; died 1871.
Daniel, Rittman, Ohio, blacksmith.
Mary, born 1856; died 1918
Charley, Sullivan, Ohio, ticket agent for B. & O.
J. W. Brillhart, Hobart, Okla., farming.

Harrison Brillhart

Harrison Brillhart, son of David and Maria Rininger was married to Martha Brennaman. They had eleven children: John, Ora, Emma, Charles, Russel, Grace, Frank, Warren, Clifford, Ada, Lincoln.

Charles Brillhart, a son of David B., and Maria Rininger Brillhart, was married to Lottie Levers. To this union were born two daughters: Olga who married Glen Hile, and Eva.

Daniel M. Brillhart, son of David B. Brillhart, was married to Lizzie Pettit, and to this union were born two daughters: Hazel, who married first John Bechtel and they had one child, Vergil, and then married for the second time E. Siebert; the other daughter Viola, married Jesse Murry.

Frank Brillhart, son of David B. Brillhart, was married to Samantha Hoover. To this union five children were born: Lottie, Harry, Lorren, William, and Glenn.

Lottie married a man by the name of Jones and they had one child, May

Five Generations of Brillharts
Maria Rininger Brillhart, Michael D. Brillhart, Ora Brillhart,
Ida Brillhart Farrer and Child

Harry married Esther Belts and they had one child, Evelyn.

William Brillhart was married to Maud Deimer. They had one child, Kenneth.

Glenn Brillhart was married to C. Oyer and they had one child, Dorothy.

John W. Brillhart and Wife

John Wesley Brillhart

John Wesley Brillhart, son of David and Maria Rininger Brillhart, grandson of Joseph and Anna Marie Lookabaugh Brillhart, was born at Orrville, Ohio, in 1853.

When he was ten years old, he had to go out among strangers and work by the month for twelve long years. When he was seventeen years old, he went to Morrison, Ill., with one of the neighbors who was moving out there. When he was 22 years

old, he became acquainted with a young lady by the name of Miss Regina Schumacher. In 1876 they were married and they soon made arrangements to go to Hobert, Okla., where they now reside.

They started in to clear up a farm for their future life. He now owns 480 acres of fine land, the greater part of which he has in cultivation. He lived in Illinois two years, then in Kansas two years, then moved to Ohio a few years. He then concluded that Oklahoma was his choice, and he has been a successful farmer in that state.

There were nine children born to this union as follows: Ida, Adam, Noah, Sarah, Mary, Cora, Martha, Oliver, Alvin.

His daughter, Ida Brillhart, born in 1876, married John Washington and moved to Newton, Kan.

Adam J. Brillhart

Adam J. Brillhart was born in Bluffton, Allen County, Ohio, Feb. 9, 1880, the oldest son of John Wesley and Regina Brillhart.

At the age of 11 years he moved with his parents to Okarche, Canadian County, Okla. In 1902, he moved to Hobart, Kiowa County, Okla.,

A. J. Brillhart and Wife

Noah F. Brillhart and Wife

where he became acquainted with Miss Anna Dalke of Mt. View, Okla., whom he married in the year 1906. Miss Dalke, the daughter of John and Mary Dalke, was born in Marion County, Hillsboro, Kans., July 28, 1885, and moved with her parents to Mt. View, Okla., in the year 1902.

To this union were born five children, three sons and two daughters.

One son passed thru the Gates beyond as an infant. Elmer Wesley, Melvin John, Velma Irene, and Verna Rosella are the other children.

Noah Franklin Brillhart

Noah Franklin Brillhart, son of John W. and Regina Brillhart, was born near Bluffton, Ohio, on a farm, May 27, 1886. He lived with his parents on a farm near Mt. Cory, Ohio, until the spring of 1892, then with his parents moved to Okarche, Okla. He resided there on a farm until 1902, then moved to Hobart, Okla., his present home, on the opening of the Kiowa and Comanche Indian land to white settlement.

On April 6, 1915, he was married to Miss Helen Voss of Milwaukee, Wis. To this union one child was born, Grace L. Brillhart, Jan. 1, 1916. Miss Voss was born Aug. 12, 1896. While in Milwaukee, he ran a confectionery store for two years, then sold it and went to work in a foundry as a moulder and worked there for two years, and later moved back to the farm.

George Adam Brillhart

George Adam Brillhart, a son of Joseph and Maria Lookabaugh Brillhart, and grandson of Peter Brillhart, was born in Manchester, Summit County, Ohio, Nov. 28, 1835.

After he acquired a common school education, he taught the same school for a number of years that he had attended as a pupil. After that he was bookkeeper for a firm at East Liberty, Ohio.

There he became acquainted with and married Miss Amanda Spangler. To this union three children were born. Later he moved to Edgerton, Ohio, then to Kendallville, Ind., in 1869, and engaged in the hardware and implement business.

From the beginning he was a careful, industrious, and successful business man and always ready to lend a helping hand to those in need. He passed away leaving a loving wife and one daughter to mourn their loss.

Ida L. Miller

Ida L. Brillhart, was a daughter of George Adam and Amanda Brillhart, and a granddaughter of Joseph and Anna M. Brillhart.

Her younger years were taken up in school until she had finished her education. She became acquainted with Mr. Miller of Kendallville and was united in marriage to him. To them one daughter was born. Mrs. Miller was blessed with a good executive mind and was known as a successful business woman in the real estate and loan business. Her business life has been helpful to many in acquiring homes. Her social life has been one of refinement and influence, always living in a Christian attitude.

Their daughter, Gertrude, has been the center of attraction of her life. With much motherly care Mrs. Miller has helped her daughter to a good education and a high moral and Christian standard. Later Gertrude became the bride of Mr. Brennan and to this union one son was born, Robert R. Brennan, Kendallville, Ind.

Henry Brillhart

Henry Brillhart, son of Joseph and Maria Lockalaugh Brillhart, was born on a farm near Manchester, Summit County, Ohio, Jan. 2, 1833; died at Edgerton, Williams County, Ohio, April 2, 1907; aged 74 years, and 3 months.

Some time in 1852, he was married to Priscilla Stowe and they soon moved to De Kalb Co., Ind., near the Ohio State Line.

In 1856, they moved to Edgerton, Ohio, where he was employed by the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern R. R. Company as freight agent.

There were eight children born, four of whom died young. On Nov. 21, 1867, his wife died, leaving her husband and four small children.

His second marriage took place June 7, 1870, to Mrs. Elizabeth Dunlar. No children were born to them. For a number of years he was engaged in the grocery business and later he had a meat market.

In 1885, he moved to Kendallville, Ind., living on a farm for a few years. Later he moved to Michigan, and on account of poor health, he moved to Edgerton, Ohio, again, and lived there until his death. Edgerton seemed more like home to him as he had lived there longer than any other place.

The following four children grew to maturity:

Mrs. Anna Larton, Toledo, Ohio, born May 5, 1855; died Dec. 12, 1918.
Mrs. Bina Blair, Toledo, Ohio, born Dec. 12, 1851.
Mrs. Ida Upp, Edgerton, Ohio, born Oct. 27, 1853.
William H. Brillhart, Kendallville, Ind., born Aug. 6, 1856.

Bina Brillhart married Wright Blair and they have two children: Hazel and Roscoe.

Ida Brillhart married James Lee Upp, Feb. 3, 1884, and they had four children as follows:

Graydon Upp, Butler, Ind., painter, born Dec. 30, 1888
Bessie Upp, Toledo, Ohio, domestic, born Aug. 30, 1890.
Gladys Upp, Edgerton, Ohio, domestic, born Nov. 26, 1884.
Arthur Upp, Edgerton, Ohio, mechanic, born Oct. 6, 1896.

Gladys Upp married Edward Kimpel, Oct. 14, 1911.
Bessie Upp married Will F. Miller, July 4, 1909.
Graydon Upp, married Flossie Olds, March 28, 1917.
Arthur Upp, single.

William Henry Brillhart

William Henry Brillhart, son of Henry Brillhart, was born in Edgerton, Williams County, Ohio, Aug. 6, 1866. He lived there during his

Henry Brillhart and Family

early boyhood days and attended the public school until 14 years of age.

In the spring of 1881, he hired out to a carpenter contractor to learn the carpenter trade. He worked for him one year in Edgerton, Bryan, and various other places.

Wm. Henry Brillhart and Family

In 1882, he hired out to another carpenter contractor, doing carpenter work and painting. He stayed with him until winter. He then started to school again. He attended school about two months, when Flint & Walling Mfg. Co., of Kendallville, Ind., offered him a position in their factory in the painting department. He accepted this position March 5, 1883, and has been working for them ever since. He is now with the company as superintendent of the Painting Department.

On 1891, Nov. 27, he was married to Miss Elizabeth Blair of Wauseon, Ohio, and July 1, 1893 one son, Clarence B. Brillhart, was born.

He has a nice family and a nice home with a little on the side for a rainy day, trusting that the future will be a pleasure to live, as well as to die.

Jacob Brillhart

Jacob Brillhart was a son of Joseph and Maria Lookabaugh Brillhart,

Fred and Mary Brillhart Lillie and Family

and a grandson of Peter and Mary Brillhart. He had the following chil-

dren: David W., Mary E., Liddie C., John M., Jonathan D., and Minnie E. Brillhart. He was born in Ohio, Feb. 25, 1825. His wife, Rosanna Sorrick, was born in Ohio, Oct. 19, 1836. They were married in 1852. David W. was born June 10, 1853, in Ohio. No one knows his whereabouts. Mary E. was born in Ohio, Jan. 12, 1855. She married Fred Lillie, July 4, 1876. To this union were born three children: James, Nancy, and Myrtle. Liddie C. was born in Muskegon Co., Mich., July 23, 1859. She died September, 1869. John Moreene and Jonathan Delcere were born Oct. 23, 1861. John M. married Myra Francis. Jonathan D. married Lillie Vanmater April 30, 1892. To this union was born one child, Myrtle, who married Chas. H. Duram, Aug. 5, 1912. Three children have been born to this union. Lillie Brillhart died Jan. 1, 1908. Jonathan D. was married later to Bessie M. Duram. To this union were born two children: Dorothy M. and Evart J. Minnie E. was born Oct. 31, 1864, and married Sylvester Spooner. They had two children. She died Oct. 26, 1887. Edmund W. was born April 10, 1866; died June 28, 1909. Rosanna died Sept. 19, 1869.

Jonathan Brillhart and Family

Jonathan Brillhart knows nothing about his grandparents. His father was a soldier in the Civil War.

John Brillhart lives in Walkerville, Mich.

Jonathan and Mary live near Coopersville.

Jacob Brillhart and wife moved to Michigan and helped clear farms as it was all woods at the time.

Clifford and Dorothy Brillhart Carter

Peter Brillhart

Peter Brillhart, son of the original Peter Brillhart who came to America with his brothers, John and Samuel, was born about 1760. Like his father he had the strength and determination of character that made him overcome obstacles and win out in the battle of life. He acquired a

partial common school education and later married Mary Moyer. He seems to have had at least one son, Peter. The history of the subject of this sketch is not clear. Some reports would indicate that some of the children credited to his father, Peter Brillhart, should be given under the name of Peter Jr., of whom we write. However, the weight of evidence seems to be in favor of the history as we have given it. The historian must sometimes decide when conflicting reports come under his observation. Since his judgment is subject to the common fallibility of man, it need not be surprising if sometimes inaccuracies occur in this book.

Cynthia A. Lambert, Ella K. Tifer, Leslie L. Lambert, and Emil Nead Tifer

Barbara Brillhart Yount

Barbara Brillhart, daughter of Peter and Mary Brillhart, was married to Benjamin Yount about the time of the Revolutionary War. Their children were: Samuel, Joseph, Elizabeth and Anna.

Elizabeth Yount married Peter Nead in 1825. They had four children: Samuel, from whom are descended the Nead family of Indiana; Daniel who died in young manhood; Mary, single; and Barbara, who married Samuel Kinsey in 1852.

The Kinseys had eleven children. We do not have the names of all of them. Cynthia Kinsey, daughter of Samuel and Barbara Kinsey, was married to Charles Lambert. They had two children: Leslie, and Russell. Dayton, Ohio.

Chas. F. Lambert, Cynthia A. Lambert, Leslie L. Lambert and Russel R. Lambert

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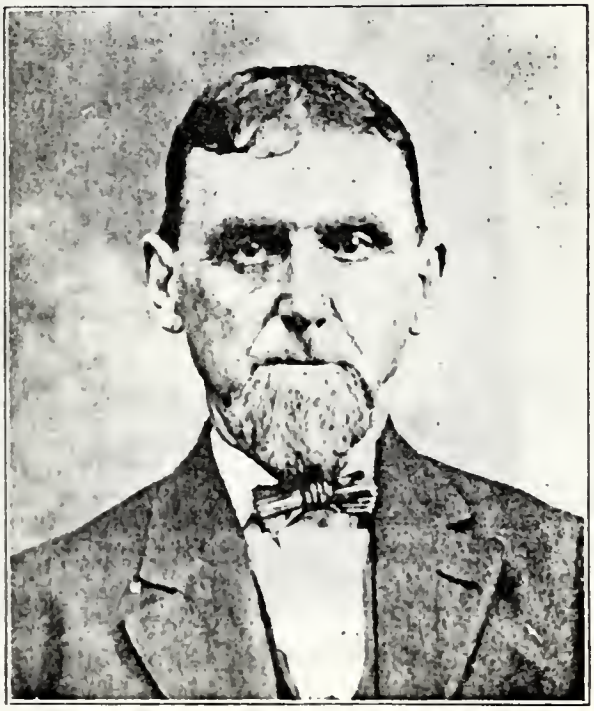

Daniel Brillhart

Samuel Brillhart

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A Group from Catawba Valley, Va.

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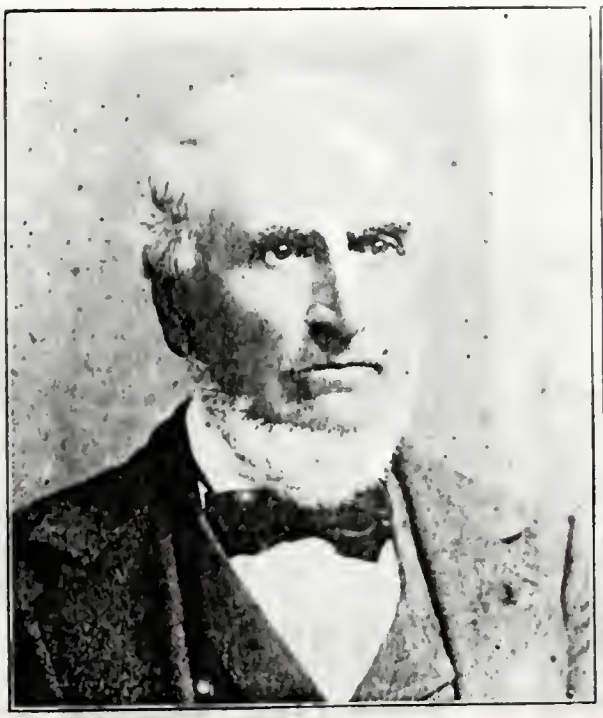

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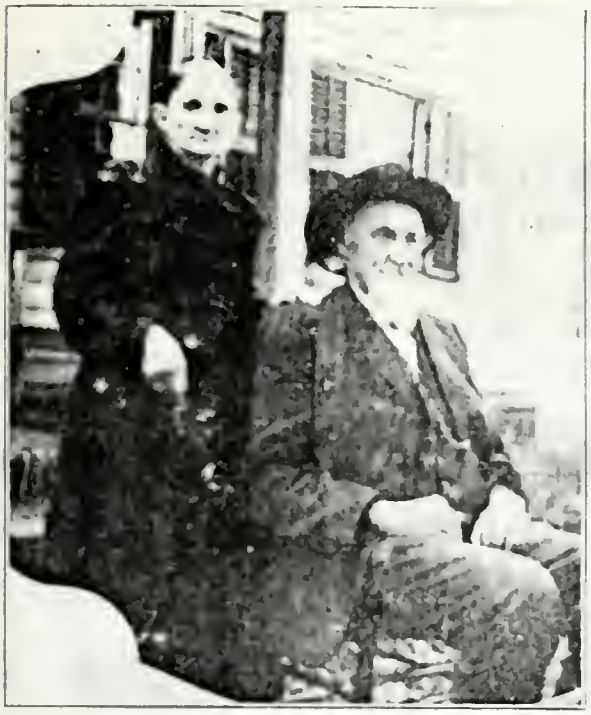

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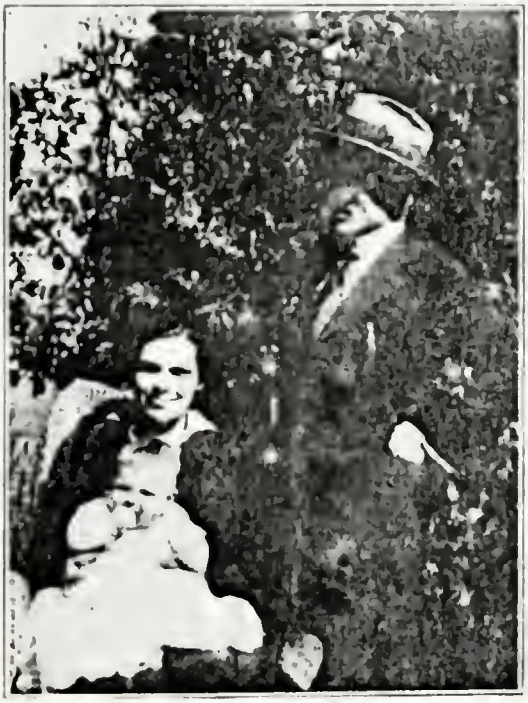

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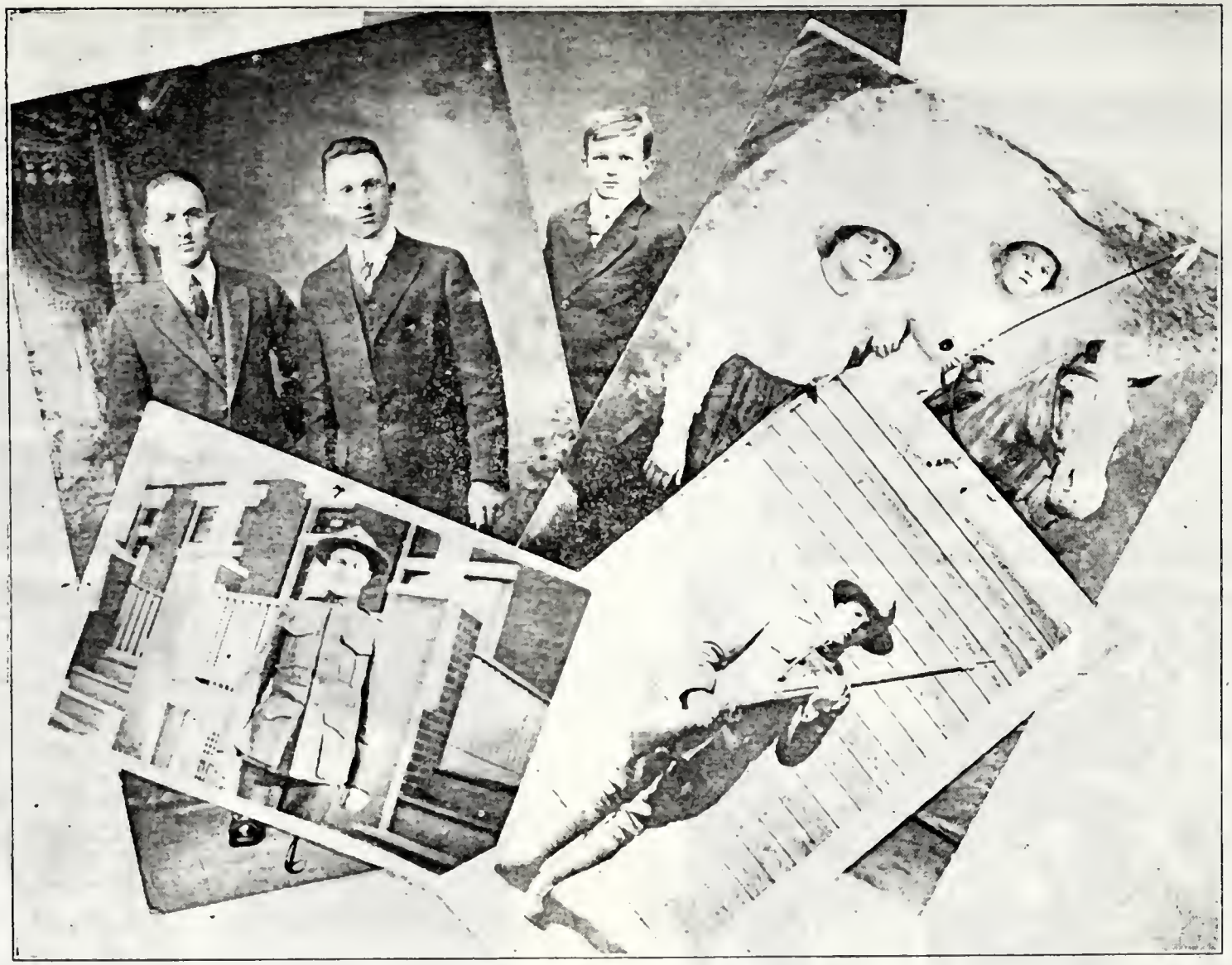
Albert F. Brillhart Cigar Factory

Home of Mary Shannon

John Brillhart and Family

Children of E. L. Brillhart



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Samuel Brillhart and Wife

Piatt and Elizabeth Brillhart Williamson

L. A. Brillhart's Fruit Trucks

Lydia Brillhart

D. W. Brillhart and Family

Tombstone of Mary B. Koontz

John Walters and Wife

D. S. Brillhart's Hosiery Employees

Home of B. F. Brillhart

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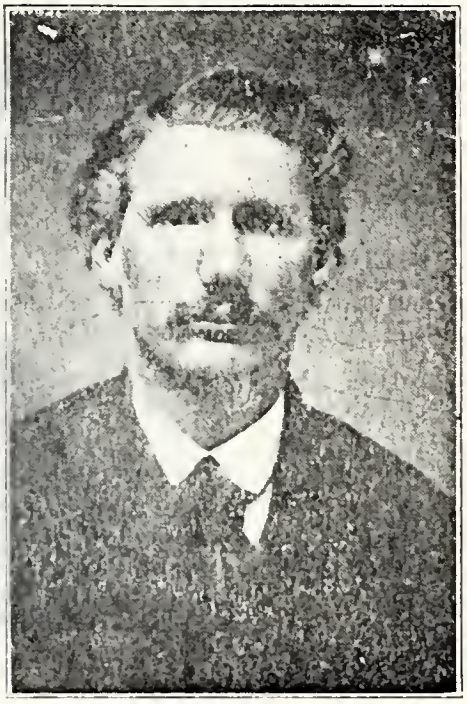

Joseph Crouse

Tombstone of Samuel Brillhart

Tombstone of David Brillhart

Henry and Phoebe Crooks

Edward and Rebecca Brillhart

Children of Otie All

E. L. Brillhart and Wife

Children of Wm. All

Samuel and Maude Williamson

Some Revolutionary War Records

1781—Jacob Brillhart under Captain Ferrel, Company C., 6 months.
Transferred to Company H., Captain John Ermans.
Transferred to Company G., Captain John Miller.
1782—Joseph Brillhart, Class 3, Company C., Captain Henry Kessler, 6 months.
Joseph Brillhart, Class 3, Company H., Captain John Myers.
1781—Samuel Brillhart, Class 3, Company C., Captain Ferrel, 7 months.
1782 John Brillhart, Company H., Captain John Ermans.
1782—Christian Brillhart, Class 5, Company C., Captain Henry Kessler.

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EVENING MEDITATION

Favorite Song of John C. Brillhart

I'll sing my Savior's grace, and His dear name I'll praise,
  While in this land of sorrow I remain;
My troubles soon will end, and my soul ascend,
  When freed from this dull clog of cumbrous clay.

A pilgrim here below, while in this vale of woe,
  I live in exile mourning like a dove;
My days in sorrow roll, and my weary soul,
  With earnest longings, pants to mount above.

Tho' few my days have been, much trouble have I seen,
  And deep afflictions I have waded through;
For thorny is the way to eternal day;
  Yet forward will I press, and onward go.

Another day is gone, and yon declining sun
  Has veiled his radiant beams in sable shades,
While gloomy darkness reigns o'er the extensive plains,
  And awful silence closes up the scene.

Thus rapid flies away every succeeding day,
  And life's declining light draws to a close;
Thus life's short setting sun will soon in death go down,
  And lay my weary limbs in sweet repose.

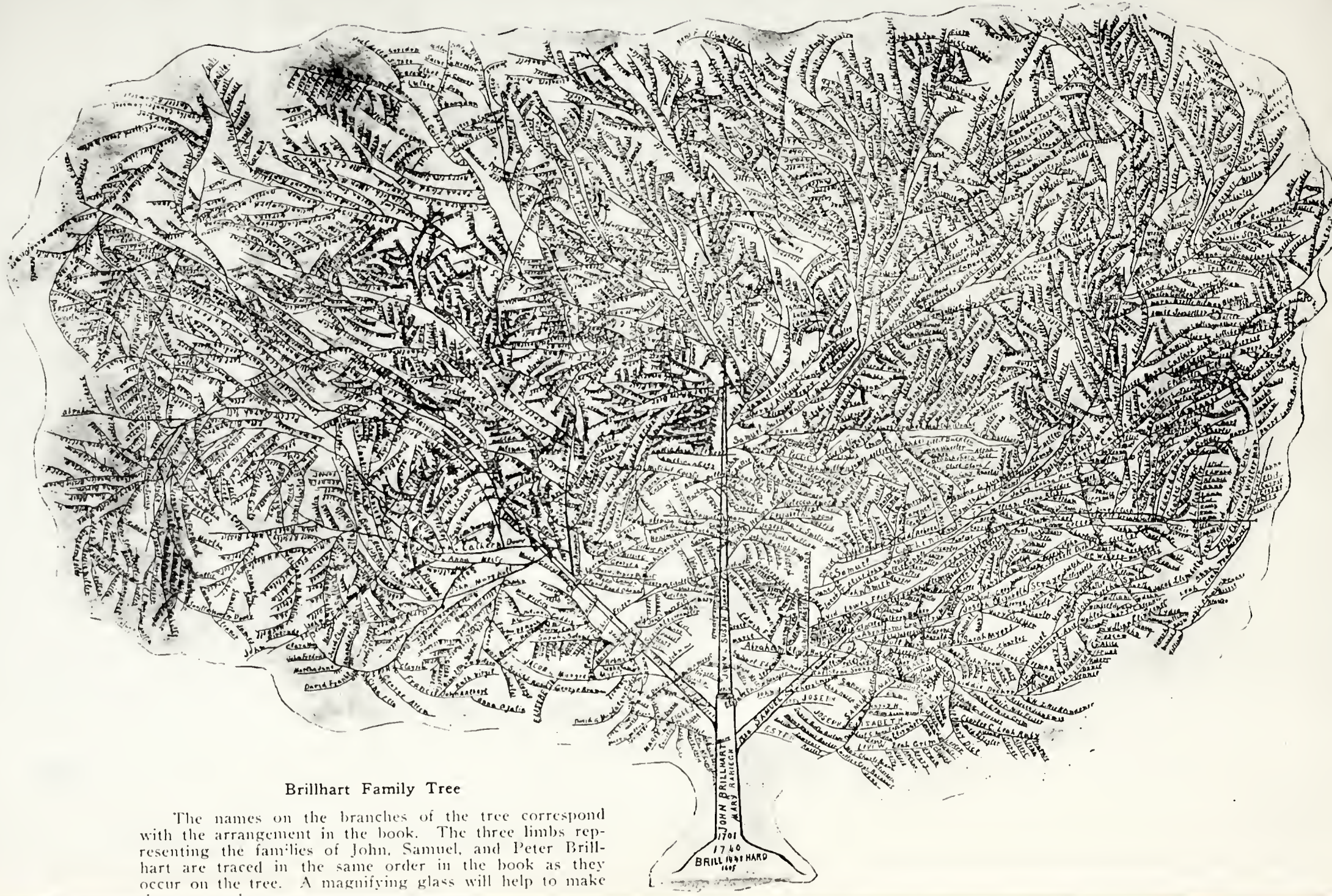
On eagle wings of love, then I shall mount above,
  And find my passage safe to endless day;
Then happy, sweet surprise, what great new wonders rise!
  When freed from this dull clog of cumbrous clay.

Oh, what a glorious sight; and what supreme delight,
  Will strike my raptured soul, when I behold—
When Salem's gates I see, open wide to me,
  And streets of glittering, new, transparent gold!

But oh! and shall I then behold the Friend of men,
  The Man who suffered, bled, and died for me?
Who bore my load of sin, sorrow, grief, and pain,
  To make me happy and to set me free?

To living fountains then, and rich pastures green,
  To trees of paradise He leads His lambs;
While millions, falling down, prostrate all around,
  And at His footstool cast their glittering crowns.

Ye heavenly arches ring! sing hallelujah, sing
  Hail holy, holy, holy, bleeding Lamb;
Once I was dead in sin, now I live again,
  And glory, glory, glory to His name!



Brillhart Family Tree

The names on the branches of the tree correspond with the arrangement in the book. The three limbs representing the families of John, Samuel, and Peter Brillhart are traced in the same order in the book as they occur on the tree. A magnifying glass will help to make the names clearer.

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